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To-Night

Comes good old Saint Nicholas. We have supplied him with numerous articles for his trip and trust that he will make no mistakes. However, if he should do so we gladly exchange anything he got at our store.

Thanking you for your liberal patronage and wishing one and all a very merry Xmas.

COX-GREER-McDONALD CO.

HAWES HATS

CLAPP SHOES

P. B. WILSON LUMBER CO.

We will make it to your advantage to figure with us on your bill.
J. HENRY COLLINS, Manager.

Suitable Christmas Presents

You will have no trouble in selecting appropriate presents here. For young ladies we have the finest and most up-to-date

BOX PAPER
PERFUMES
ALEGRETTIES
DELICIOUS CANDY

in boxes from 5c to \$5.00 each.

EASTMAN KODAKS

from \$1.00 to \$20. We also sell the Edison Phonograph, which is a suitable present for every home. Prices \$12.50 to \$35.00.

Cigars in Xmas packages

RAMSEY'S DRUG STORE

ADA OPERA HOUSE WED. DEC. 25 ONE NIGHT ONLY

JOHN A. PRESTON

in
THE COW PUNCHER

By Hal Reid

A picturesque story of Ranch

life in the Golden West. Prices

25, 50 and 75c.

WILL APPEAL AGAIN

GOLDFIELD MINE OWNERS TO
URGE ROOSEVELT TO PERMIT
TROOPS TO REMAIN.

COMPANY OF RANGERS

If Such a One Is Formed the Legisla-
ture Must Be Convened
Again.

Goldfield, Nev., Dec. 23.—Despite the positive statement which came from Washington today to the effect that the Federal troops will be removed from Goldfield on Dec. 30, the mine owners have not given up and will appeal again to the president. They will present, they say tonight, some matters which have not yet been laid before him, one of these being that they regard as positive evidence that at least one deportation was attempted by the Western Federation of Miners, in which attempt four rifles were used.

While the mine owners today were preparing to send further evidence to the president Sheriff Ingalls and Capt. Cox, the personal representatives of Gov. Sparks in Goldfield, were conferring on plans for the preservation of law and order after the troops depart. Sheriff Ingalls said tonight that he is seeking at least fifty new men to constitute a force of deputies who will patrol the camp night and day armed with guns.

The rumor has been current here that a company of rangers is contemplated, but as that can not be without the sanction of the legislature the statement of Capt. Cox is taken to mean that if such a plan is decided upon the legislature will be convened.

SNOW GOOD FOR WHEAT.

Pat Paffrath Is Advised of Extent of
Fall Around Amarillo.

Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 23.—E. A. (Pat) Paffrath of this city received a letter today from a friend at Amarillo stating that Saturday's snowstorm resulted in covering the ground to a depth of from twelve to fourteen inches not including the drifts.

The letter stated benefits to wheat, prove of incalculable benefit to wheat growers and that all are jubilant over the outlook. One of the largest home-seekers' excursions of the season reached Amarillo Sunday, but on account of the snow but little could be accomplished in showing the visitors around in the farming section.

STRUCK BY LOCOMOTIVE.

Denton Youth Is Knocked from Trestle
on East Fourth Street.

Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 23.—Clark Geron, a youth from Denton, was struck by the locomotive of a train of the Fort Worth and Denver City railway as he was crossing the Fourth street trestle at 10 o'clock tonight, and severely injured.

Young Geron was crossing the trestle with Bruce Redmond, a companion from the same town, when he was injured. Redmond escaped unhurt. Geron was conveyed to the Medical College Hospital in the police ambulance where his injuries were pronounced not serious. His back is badly bruised by a fall about fifteen feet to the ground below the trestle.

REMAINS NOT RECOVERED.

Body of Sherman Man Still in Fire
Ruins at Fort Smith.

Sherman, Tex., Dec. 23.—Advices received here today from Fort Smith, Ark., are to the effect that the remains of James A. Seyville of Sherman, who died in a hotel fire there Saturday morning, have not been recovered.

The message also states that no other persons perished in the fire, but there were several narrow escapes.

BRABERMAN MEETS DEATH.

Railroad Employee Is Killed at Celeste,
Denison His Home.

Denison, Tex., Dec. 23.—T. L. Cassett, a Katy brakeman running out of Denison, was accidentally killed this morning at Celeste while making a coupling. He slipped and fell as the coupling was made. One arm was cut off and he received internal injuries, the latter causing his death in a few minutes. The body was brought here and is held pending advices from relatives in Michigan. He came from Denison Dec 9 from Tacoma, Wash.

CHRISTMAS IN A ROYAL HOUSEHOLD

How the German Imperial Family
Pass the Day.

Berlin, Dec. 22.—Thirteen Christmas trees stand in the new palace at Potsdam for the members of the imperial family. There are two large trees in the center with five smaller ones on the one side and six on the other, diminishing in size according to the age of those for whom they are intended. The two large trees are for the emperor and empress and the others for their six sons and daughters, the wives of Prince Frederick William and Prince Eitel and the two children of the crown prince.

The emperor's Christmas program begins after lunch on Tuesday when he will walk through the Grand Park Sans Souci with several hundred marks in coin freshly minted in his pocket, bestowing five or ten or twenty mark pieces upon poor persons whom he may meet.

It is never known what paths the emperor may take, but as it is an annual custom of his, plenty of the poor are distributed throughout the park on the lookout for his majesty. On such occasions he continues his walk to the barracks of the First regiment of foot guards to attend the celebration of the so-called "Life Company" of which the emperor was captain as crown prince, and after him the present crown prince, but of which Prince Eitel is now captain.

Every Christmas the emperor is present at the distribution of presents and to join in a fraternal glass of punch.

Every company in the German army has its own Christmas tree, for which gifts are sent from the men's homes.

The imperial family gathers at 6 o'clock to give each other their presents. Then the officials of the imperial household come into the shell room, where the trees stand, to receive theirs. The members of the imperial family give but do not accept gifts from the members of the household. The emperor has been summoning dealers to Potsdam almost every afternoon since his return from England and has been selecting for Christmas gifts sporting guns, saddlery outfits, gold mounted or jeweled riding crops and other appropriate articles for the twenty or thirty ladies and gentlemen attached to his household. He also gives portraits with his autograph, richly framed, porcelains and jewel boxes of which he is exceedingly fond.

The crown prince and Prince Eitel have establishments of their own at Potsdam to which they repair after the family gathering to have similar distributions of presents to members of their own official households.

GREAT COST OF CANAL.

Million and a Half Dollars' Worth of
Property Condemned.

Panama, Dec. 22.—Some idea of the items of the cost of the canal can be gained by the fact that the board of survey has condemned in the last two months an outfit for further use \$1,500,000 worth of property, the greater part of which was ordered burned. Most of the condemned property was not old French material, but was bought by the Americans.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS.

The purest regard for the peace and prosperity of Ada and Pontotoc county is extended by the News this Christmas. The Nineteen Hundred and Seventh anniversary of the birth of the Savior of men. The duty of all men at this Christmas time, of what ever rank or wealth, is to extend the love of their hearts and let it envelope those of their brethren and kindred and embrace all their fellow men.

Be thoughtful of your position in the community, your relation with your neighbors and the inter-dependence of those beneath your roof. Whether your gifts represent an expenditure of only simple Christmas greetings or many dollars, do not distinguish in the sincerity of the accompaniment.

During the Christmas be a Christian and a philosopher. When you meet your debtors, restrain the appearance of the thought, when you meet your creditors look them in the eye and conjure the thought without the aid of spoken expression that you are theirs for the future. In either even have your greetings circumspect and sincere.

See the cow Pancher at opera house Wednesday night.

THE MOST DESIRABLE XMAS GIFT

A Gift that's wearable and lasting is the most appreciated

You can't give "Him" anything that will be thought more of than a SPERO-MICHAEL Suit, Overcoat or Cravenet Raincoat for this. Clothing is the finest made ready-to-wear clothing and the prices are moderate \$10.00, \$15.00, \$18.00, \$20.00.

Then There are Other Suggestions

Ties especially made for us for Christmas presents; one in a box from \$1.00 to 25c.

Silk Hank and Suk Mufflers, from \$2.00 to 25c.

Fancy Lisle Hose from 65c to 25c.

The Gold and Silver Brand Shirts in very choice colors \$1.50 and \$1.25.

Others from 50c up to \$1.00.

The Hannan Shoes at cut prices \$4.50.

The W. L. Douglas Shoes in all styles at \$3.50.

Hats all styles, all grades and all colors from \$6.00 to \$1.25.

Bring your boys here for their clothes. Our assortment is yet high but the prices low.

I. HARRIS

Father—You come home so late always now. Emil, I haven't seen you all the week.

Son—Well, if you want to speak to me, father, come to the club on Wednesdays; you will always find me there then.—Pete Mele.

Attention of the good people of

Ada and surrounding country: The handsome doll which has been made especially in the factory for us has arrived and on exhibition at our store. It will be given away Xmas eve night between 8 and 8:30 o'clock to some little girl be selected to take a number from the box of which will draw the doll. Be sure and bring your numbers with you.

Merry Xmas to all.
GRAND LEADER

I hear your youngest daughter has just got married. So you are quite alone now. It must have been very hard for you.

"Don't speak of it. I was beginning to despair when, thank goodness, her present husband came along."—Rire

Ladies the best Christmas present

you can buy is a nice linen handkerchief, silk muffler, long kid gloves, silk waist patterns. We have a house full of new novelty goods at the lowest price. The Grand Leader Department Store.

The holiday season is almost over and we can make it to your advantage to buy your Xmas wares from us. We especially call your attention to the new shipment of ladies' gloves, tan and black. THE GRAND LEADER

Mason's Good Hot Soda

We say good in connection with

our Hot Soda in a way to emphasize Good. Its the goodness we want to talk about. Anybody serve hot sado but anybody can't serve it quite so good as we do.

You will believe that once you have a Hot Soda at

Mason Drug Co.



In Boxes from 50c to \$3.75 per Box.

We have a well selected line of Books, Bibles, Padded Poets, Fiction and Children's Books.

Fountain Pens and Many

Other Nice Gifts.

Gwin, Mays & Co.,

The Ada
Druggists

'We Run a Drug Store
and Nothing More.'

Full Line of Keen Kutter Goods



The Place
to Buy
Hardware,

Sewing Machines,
Washing Machines
and Wringers,
Stoves and
Enamelled Ware, is
at

R. E. HAYNES, The Hardware Man.

ADA, OKLAHOMA.

Ada Evening News.

B. S. WEAVER, Editor and Owner.
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From Center

There seems to be an epidemic of moving and marrying in and around Center this Xmas for all the boys that are not trying to get married want a divorce, and several of our good substantial citizens are moving away to different parts of the country.
W. W. Manning moved over to old Oklahoma, last week. Center lost a good citizen and the Baptist church a faithful deacon and member. We wish him great success in his new home.
Rev. Page a Baptist minister has bought a home in Center and will move in the near future. He is a small fellow. Tips the beam at 260.
Mr. Lee B. and Mr. Hugh Barrett is moving over on Sandy near Mr. R. Hodge's place.
Sickness is somewhat abating. Mr.

Blair Boy's has a very sick child. She is very low with typhoid fever. Our J. P. hasn't very much business to attend to as every thing is very quiet.
Mr. J. J. Copeland has a bran new girl at his home. He is all smiles as that is three for him.
Center Sunday school and day school will have a big Christmas tree for old and young to enjoy alike.
The Sunday school convention will convene the 28th and 29th with the Center Sunday school. A grand and profitable time is expected.
Prof. W. J. Wilbank of Ada, was to instruct the Center singing class Christmas week but we regret to learn that he can not be with us on account of sickness.
Mrs. Fannie Smith of Texas, has moved back to Center to reside with her son Henry who was married Sunday afternoon to Miss Leo Viney at the home of Mr. F. C. Krieger.
Mr. W. A. Graves and Nerva French was also united at the same time. We extend to the three newly wedded pairs the heartiest congratulations. May their lives be bright with roses minus the thorns. Rev. Coggins had the

pleasure of uniting the three above named couple. A dinner was given the latter two couples at Mr. and Mrs. Krieger's home.
From Roff Eagle.
Prof. and Mrs. T. F. Pierce went to Ada Saturday. The Professor has opened his office with County Clerk Kerr has rented a residence and will move to the county seat about the 1st.
Last Saturday, the day after Friday the 13th, was an unlucky day for citizens of Roff, the hoodoo coming in the shape of fires. Early that morning the Nichols hotel was discovered on fire and but for the action of the Fire Department, would have been consumed. The flames were discovered in a closet in the kitchen and were soon quenched by the strong pressure of water.
In the afternoon the residence of Mrs. Brown on East Main caught fire from a defective flue, and the department was again called out, but the bucket brigade had the flames under control before their arrival.
Mrs. W. M. McCurdy is very low with pneumonia, but slowly improving.

Love and the Weather.
If only love were raining.
If it were love that fell.
In every golden shower
In every bloomy dell:
If only love were raining.
How sweet 'twould be to drown
Beneath the rushing torrent.
If love were raining down!
If only love were blowing.
If it were love that blows
On every barren hillside.
In every vale of snows:
If only love were blowing.
How good 'twould be to sleep
Down, down in drifted beauty
Beneath its deepest deep!
If only love were winter.
And only love were spring:
If only love were summer.
Were it the autumn's wing—
The rain might pour forever
The snow pile high the street:
If love were only weather.
All storms would be so sweet!
—Folger McKinney in Baltimore Sun.

he did not hurl the same in the afore-said's teeth.
It is too early to begin to talk about the waste of Christmas. It will be better to wait until it is all over.
The Argentine method is for two combative statesmen to leave it to a court of honor to say whether they must shoot or cut each other.
Good music is that sort that kills one to sleep and then wakes him up suddenly.
Surely the man who grabs the money of his employer and makes off with same must feel cheap.
After one lives and observes and thinks and suffers for half a century he begins to see just why the wise man is silent.

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Commencing December 14
M. L. WALSH Will Sell
Men's Hats, Caps,
Gloves, Clothing,
and Ladies' Coats
At Cost Until Jan. 1

I Mean What I Say
M. L. WALSH
ADA, OKLA.

2592
Something New and Attractive
Grand Leader Department Store...

Sledge Lumber Co
Carries a complete stock, deals fairly with the public, buys lumber at the lowest possible price and are satisfied with a modest profit. Competition is met in all details, and most positively lumber can not be purchased at a lower figure elsewhere.
Your business is solicited.
Located one block North of Harris Hotel

From French Wigwam.
Some time between Friday morning and Monday burglars broke into the restaurant and confectionery of G. D. Pettay on the east side and stole about \$6 worth of cigars, besides candies and helped themselves liberally to soda pop. Mr. Pettay has no idea who the culprits are but will pay liberally for information leading to their arrest and conviction.
The W. O. W. lodge of Francis has elected the following officers for the ensuing term. C. C. C. L. Tully; A. L. A. Greer; Watchman, R. F. Lilley; Clerk, A. T. Taylor; Banker, H. G. Green; Escort, Joe Chronister; Camp Physician, Drs. W. R. Hinkel and C. P. Cox; Managers, J. W. Tully, John Benson and W. E. Goodrich.
S. L. Humphrey & Co., have sued the Frisco railroad for damage on account of not delivering goods. The case was started as a suit in replevin in Justice Hammond's court but upon the Frisco's learning the replevin writ was out they promptly turned over the goods. The case will be tried before Judge Hammond next Saturday.
WANTED—Manager for branch office. We wish to locate here in Ada, Ok. Address, with reference, The Morris Wholesale House, Cincinnati, O.
Christmas Bears—"Coming."
When Santa Claus on Christmas eve Comes speeding o'er the roofs,
You will not head the snow crust break,
Beneath his reindeer hoofs,
Nor yet the ting-aling-a-ling
That into music swells,
When Donner shakes his silver reins,
Or Blitzen rings his bells,
But from the Land of Sugar Plums
In silence all the way,
St. Nick will guide across the snow,
His treasure-laden sleigh,
And all along the frozen road,
And down the icy street
Will come the soft and padded sound
Of clumsy little feet.
For though the saint is growing old
New fads delight his soul;
And he has left his antlered steeds,
Behind him at the Pole,
Where o'er the fields of floating ice
The north's trumpet blares,
And harnessed to his sleigh instead
A team of Teddy bears.
—Minna Irving in Dallas News.

SHADE TREES.
The season for planting Shade Trees is here and you should beautify your property by planting.
Call on or write
CHARLES RAY,
East 15th St., Ada, Okla.

E. W. Westhoff Dead.
E. W. Westhoff postmaster and one of the highly respected citizens of the Dolberg country passed away Tuesday. He was in Roff Saturday as cheerful as usual, but was suddenly stricken on the following day with paralysis. Mr. Westhoff was of German descent, and had been a resident of that section for a number of years. The remains were interred in the Dolberg cemetery.—Roff Eagle.

IT HAS BEEN SAID, AND WELL SAID, THAT NEAREST A MAN'S HEART, EXCEPT WIFE OR SWEETHEART IS HIS PIPE OR CIGAR
Now if you really want to give him something he wants, buy him one of those beautiful Meerschaum or Briar Pipes, or a Box of good Cigars. Mason's line is very complete. You can get them there. Pipes, good ones \$3.00 to \$15.00; Cigars, the best \$1.00 to \$1.50.
A pastel or water color picture would make an ideal Xmas gift at L. T. Walters'.

THAT TOWEL.
When I think of the towel.
The old-fashioned towel.
That used to hang up by the printing-house door
I think that nobody
In these days of shoddy
Can hammer iron to wear as it wore.
The tramp, who abused it,
The devil, who used it,
The make-up and foreman, the editor (poor man),
Each rubbed some grime off
While they put a heap on.
In, over, and under,
'Twas blaker than thunder,
'Twas harder than power, rougher than sin.
From the roller suspended,
It never was bended,
And it flapped on the door like a banner of tin.
It grew thicker and rougher,
Harder and tougher,
And daily put on an inkier hue.
Till one windy morning,
Without any warning,
It fell on the floor and was broken in two.
—Burdette.

Snap Shots.
Do not kill your rats on Friday.
Man is so incredulous that he finds it difficult to believe the very things he would like to know.
Those who take many chances may expect to get the mitten now and then.
Hobson's choice is a seat in congress and an awful navy.
Try to fit yourself to your surroundings, even if you be in a hole.
Statesman Gaines of Tennessee hurried the lie at an ewspaper reporter, but

YOUR FIRST DEPOSIT
Represents your first step toward success and independence.
Your savings account will supply you with money for the day of opportunity. Don't delay to start an account. We treat small accounts with courtesy.
FIRST NATIONAL BANK

November 10 December
Are the best months in the year to plant fruit trees. We have a general line of nursery stock consisting of all kinds of
Fruit Trees, Shade Trees
Grape Vines, Blackberries
Roses, Flowering Shrubs
Rhubarb and Asparagus.
We can make you some very close prices on the stock mentioned. Small orders will be given the same attention as large ones. Nursery and packing grounds on west 17th street.

THE ADA NURSERIES
The Old O. K. MEAT MARKET
is now conducted by Wright Bros. the old-time meat market men of Ada, who will be pleased to meet all their old time customers. Fresh and cured meats. Pure home rendered hog lard. Come in and see us. Courteous treatment. Freshest of meats.
WRIGHT BROS.

Everything Goes At Cost

I have bought the Bocher stock of Queensware and Notions and have put it on the market at COST. In this stock will be found many articles suitable for Christmas Presents
and hundreds of other things that are both useful and ornamental and the prices they are now marked will be a pleasing surprise to the buying public.
Call and See Them
and take advantage of the rare bargains. I bought this stock to sell and it will go fast at the prices I am offering.

JOHN W. BEARD.

THE ADA NATIONAL BANK
At the head of the Financial Institutions of the city stands the Ada National Bank. Over seven years under one management. The accounts and other affairs of customers are kept strictly private. Small accounts receive same attention as larger ones. Merchants and farmers will find it to their interest to open an account now with
THE ADA NATIONAL BANK
BEST LINE IN ADA
Wall Paper LARGEST LINE BEST ASSORTMENT HONEST PRICES
INGRAM PAINT CO-PANY

For Spot Cash
you can buy Groceries at rock bottom prices, at
C. S. ALDRICH
East Main street Phone 303

Ada Furniture and Coffin Co.
If you want a good, comfortable bed you can't find anything that will beat feathers. We have them at 0c, 60c and 75c per pound. We have a nice line of Rockers, Pictures, Rugs, and Art Squares for Xmas. Anything not in stock will be ordered for you at once.

We · Have · Decided · to · Move

Our Stock of Pianos and Organs if

PRICES AND TERMS

:- Will do it :-

As a Christmas Present

Nothing can equal a Fine Piano. Haven't you Promised one?
Let us tell you about it.

Matthews Music Co.

PERSONAL MENTION

B. C. Berry will dye for you.

W. A. Allison of Conway was here this morning.

Tedy Bearns a specialty at Holley's.

M. O. Steiner, the Butler-Jarbo man will spend Xmas with home folks.

Fancy Stationery for Holiday Trade at Crescent Drug Store.

Grandpa Stroud went to Stonewall this morning.

New Toilet Cases, new Shapes and new Prices. F. Z. HOLLEY.

Miss Francis Gowdey went to Paris, Tex., this morning.

Pictures to suit your pocket book at L. T. Walters'. Fine for Xmas.

Mr. Ryland returned to Dallas, Tex., Monday.

Holley don't like to sell trashy holiday goods.

Dr. Thompson left Monday for a few days visit in Texas.

A specialty in Leather Goods for Xmas presents. F. Z. HOLLEY.

Jim Ferguson of Stratford is in the city to spend Christmas.

Chapman
Sells
THE BEST
\$3.50
SHOES
ON EARTH
CHAPMAN
The Shoe Man

Mr. Standfield was an Ada visitor Monday.

New designs in music rolls at Crescent Drug Store.

Percey Armstrong came in this morning to spend the holidays with his sister, Mrs. S. M. Shaw.

All silk waist patterns at great reduction balance of this week.

COX-GREER-McDONALD CO.

J. W. Coffman left Monday for Putman, Tex., to spend the holidays at his old home.

Take your old clothes to Berry at Crowder's Barber shop; he will make them like new.

Our beautiful doll which we will give away just arrived this morning from the east and we placed it in the front of our store for exposition. The Grand Leader Department Store.

F. J. Etter and wife left this morning for a visit at Sherman, Tex., and other Texas points.

See the FREE ten dollar Teddy Bear at Gwin, Mays & Co.

Mrs. S. A. Owens and daughter, Mrs. L. J. McMahan of Whitesboro, are the guests of their son and brother, T. B. Kille.

Books! Beautiful line of special holiday gift books. Just arrived at Mason's.

Hand Crushed.

Jack McMillan one of the most popular, and industrious cement employees, had his hand crushed late Monday evening. The particulars were not learned.

Many have taken advantage of the opportunity of securing some of those fine art pictures at L. T. Walters'. Why not you?

Santa Claus at Baptist Church.

Old Santa Claus will visit the children at the Baptist church tonight, and there distribute the good things from the Xmas tree.

It is reported that Santa Claus will be a visitor at Jack Moore's tonight.

See our beautiful \$15.00 doll which we will give away next Wednesday night. We invite every body to be present on that date. Grand Leader Department store.

Oklahoma Democrat.

The Oklahoma Democrat published at Altus, and edited by Bob Williams has on its Christmas clothes this week. It comes printed on pink paper and covered with an elaborate and fancy Santa Claus cover. It is filled with prosperous ads, feature articles of Oklahoma, Jackson county and Altus. The News congratulates the enterprising editor.

Ladies' ready made waists are away down. Now is your chance.

COX-GREER-McDONALD CO.

Major Tate.

The Maxwell cotton thief was tried before Justice Brown Monday, and the jury gave him a 30 days jail sentence, and \$50 fine. The full limit for petty larceny.

FOR SALE.

A well-trail for sale cheap.

MRS. NORA GOODSON, Ada, Okla.

Ada Rebecca Lodge.

At a recent meeting of Ada Rebecca lodge officers were elected for the ensuing term as follows: Mrs. U. G. Winn, N. G. Mrs. R. O. Lawrence, V. G., Susie Marlin, Sec. Mrs. Joe Sprague, Treas.

Stationery is always acceptable and appropriate for Christmas. See the nice showing at Mason's. 25c up.

Monday a Big Day.

Saturday, the 21st would have been the banner holiday of the season in the sale of Xmas wares, but for the rain and almost unpassable roads leading in from country. But they came Monday. Thousands of people lined the streets, and the business houses were filled to overflowing. In holiday sales, especially the merchants report a big day.

Today is expected to be as good, if not better, for not only is there an inviting sunshine warming the Christmas ridden earth, but the time of giving is a day nearer today than yesterday and every one is eager to buy. At an early hour this morning many city shoppers were already busy selecting their Xmas goods.

All work done by me is guaranteed to be the best. . . . B. C. BERRY.

Torbett Reunion.

The Ada Torbetts are entertaining the immediate kindred this Christmas in a family reunion.

The guests are Col and Mrs. G. G. Bruce, the honored father and mother of Mrs. Sam Torbett, from Ardmore, the brother and sister relatives present at the time are Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Bruce, Pauls Valley; Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Bruce, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Foster and M. W. H. Foster, Ardmore and Miss Catherine Williams.

Ladies if you need a coat you had better see our line now. They're cheap. COX-GREER-McDONALD CO.

Subscribers to the Dallas News may call at the News office for their paper Christmas morning.

Until Jan. 1 every thing in my entire stock will sell at a big discount. 226-2nd-21w A. L. NETTLES.

W. F. Buitts, local manager for the Pioneer Telephone Co., went to Oklahoma City Monday afternoon.

Xmas candies and fruits at the P. O. News Store. T. O. Collins, Proprietor.

DAILY SUSPENDED.

Following the usual custom, the Evening News will not appear on Christmas day. The day following the issue will be resumed and God and our creditors willing will be published each day preceding another Christmas.

Here, there is but one holiday a year and as much belongs to the faithful employees.

The Kow Puncher Wednesday night. Opera house.



SEE OUR NEW

HOLIDAY HATS

GRAND LEADER DEPT. STORE

Were You Ever

Present at a party and for a long time the guests just sat round and waited and waited for something to happen? Do you remember how the evening seemed to 'drag and how glad you were when you got home? If you want to avoid any thing like that at your party by all means get a

Phonograph

You or any one else can furnish music for a dance, a song, an opera or a sacred selection. Once you get one then it only costs a few cents for each new song or selection that comes out. Phonographs sell at

\$20 to \$40

New pieces for the phonograph.

25c Each

Call and see and hear any one you are interested in. No trouble to show and explain.

C. J. WARREN & CO.

Miss Edna Fulton has returned from her Sherman visit.

25 per cent discount on ladies' suits and cloaks at the Grand Leader Department Store.

Fancy handkerchiefs, collars and an elegant line of gloves at the Grand Leader.

The Cow Puncher by Hal Reed Christmas night at opera house.

Prices on ladies ready-made skirts are cut deep this week at Cox-Greer-McDonald Co's.

JUST THE THING FOR YOUR OUT OF TOWN GIFT-SOUVENIRS OF ADA AND OKLAHOMA.

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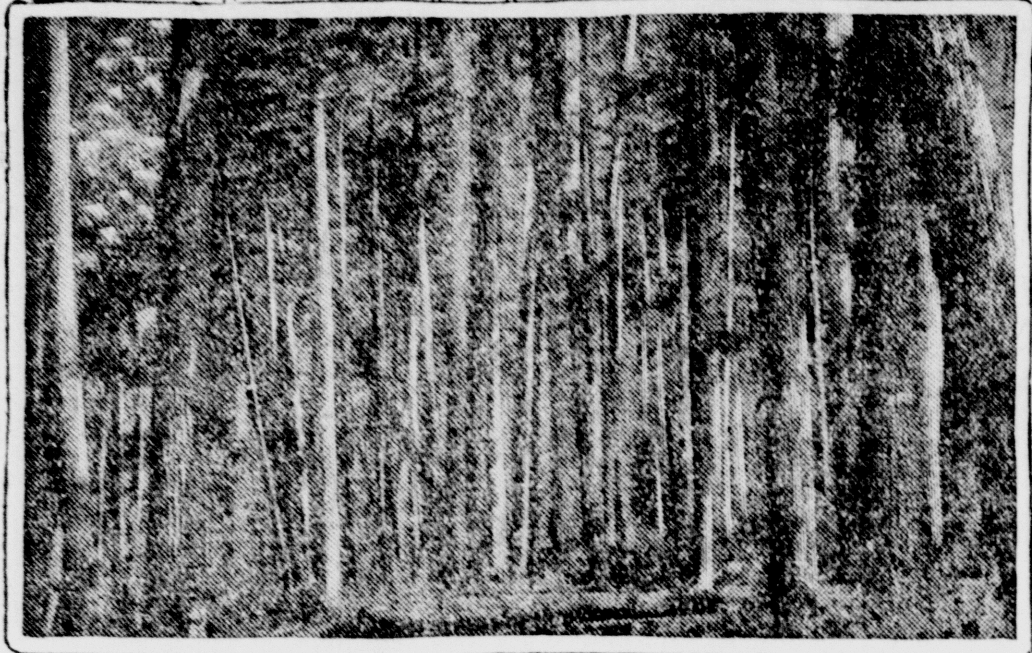
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WHITE PINES HELPING AND HINDERING EACH OTHER

The position which the United States has held as a lumber-producing nation has, perhaps, been due more to white pine than to any other wood. The timber of this valuable tree which has played a most important part in the material development of the nation is fast disappearing and now it is as costly as the finest American hardwoods.

Rev. Edward Everett Hale, the chaplain of the senate, who has always taken an interest in forestry, deprecates the passing of white pine as our foremost wood, and tells how in his own lifetime he has seen the day when "the masts of every vessel that sailed the Seven Seas were made from New England grown pine; while today very little white pine is cut in New England big enough to furnish a good-sized spar." He tells also, to illustrate the increasing cost of the wood, that he ordered a set of book shelves

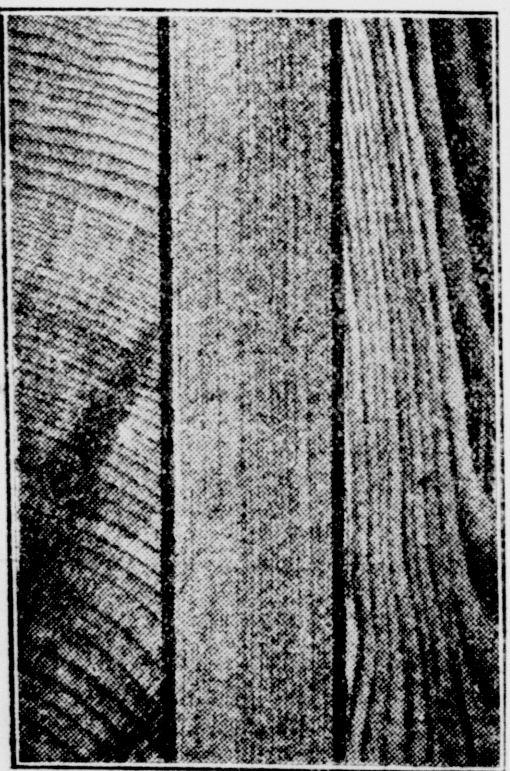


Imperfect Natural Pruning on a White Pine That Stood Too Much Alone in Early Youth.

on which the cabinetmaker made a price, and then asked whether they should be made of mahogany or white pine.

The white pine production has shifted from New England to the lake states, and Michigan was the leading lumber-producing state for 20 years, from 1870 to 1890, with a supremacy based on white pine. In these two decades the output was 160,000,000,000 of board feet, valued, at the point of production, at not less than \$2,000,000,000, or nearly half as much as the value derived from all the gold fields of California from their discovery in the late forties until the present.

The rich forests of Michigan were once thought inexhaustible and lumbering continued in a most reckless



Wood of the White Pine.

manner for years. Suddenly the people awoke to the fact that the thoughtless destruction of the trees had thrown 6,000,000 of acres on the delinquent tax list. These white barrens point to the terrible penalty of wasting the forest resources which should have been the heritage of all future generations.

An idea of the increasing scarcity of white pine timber is given by the New York F. O. B. quotations, on a basis of carload lots. "Uppers" of the best grade, cost \$97 to \$114 a thousand board feet and the "selects" or next lower grade cost \$79.50 to \$99.50. Men who are not yet middle-aged remember the time when these grades could be purchased at \$15 to \$25 a thousand

feet. The present quotations on quartered white oak, which are \$75 to \$80, offer another basis of comparison which indicates the condition of the market for white pine.

The best stands of this timber now in this country are in scattered sections in Minnesota, New England and parts of Idaho. The species in Idaho is sometimes called silver pine. Some of the country's best white pine is found on the Indian reservations in Minnesota and Wisconsin and scattered stands in the states of Wyoming, Montana, and one or two other states. At the present rate of cutting the tree will soon be practically a thing of the past. The small stands in the national forests are inconsiderable, but they will be managed with the greatest conservatism by the government through the forest service, and through this method and practice of reforestation it may be hoped that the fine old tree will furnish timber for other generations.

SANK IN QUICKSANDS TO NECK.

Hunter's Dog Brought Relief When His Master Had Given Up Hope.

John Cronin came preciously near being swallowed by a quicksand in the woods near North Arlington, N. J. Cronin was up to his neck—or down to his neck—in the quicksand when he was saved.

Cronin, who lives on Union avenue, Belleville, went rabbit hunting with Michael Flynn, chief of police of Belleville, the chief's young son, John, and Frank Curren. Cronin's dog chased a rabbit. Cronin ran after the dog and rabbit and so became separated from the rest of the party. Suddenly he walked into the quicksand and, like a shot, sank to his waist.

The more he struggled the deeper he went. The dog, seeing him in difficulty, let the rabbit go and ran around the quicksand's edge, barking and whining. Cronin discharged his shotgun, but his companions thought he was firing at a rabbit. He yelled, but they did not hear him.

His wise dog set off after the others of the party and told them as plainly as he could that Cronin was in trouble. It ran toward them and then away a dozen times, and barked and showed such manifest signs of distress that they followed it.

Cronin was only half-conscious by this time. His friends could not go closer to him than six or seven feet, or they would have been engulfed, too. They finally uprooted several birch saplings and pried him out.

HE OBJECTED TO FRENCH.

Wanted a Clock That He Could Understand When It Struck.

Howard Wilson, who pitched a couple of seasons for Washington a few years back, is now in the watch and clock business, and whenever any of the ball players want anything in this line they patronize the genial Howard.

Some days ago the versatile Mr. Waddell determined to buy a clock, so that when he retired to his home for the winter he would have a reliable timepiece that would arouse him from his slumbers each morning so that he could be in time for breakfast, which is a meal that Rube thinks a whole lot of.

So going up to the store kept by Wilson in company with Harry Davis and Stocks Seybold, George Edward began looking over the various timepieces that were put out by the accommodating Howard for his inspection.

Rube was hard to suit, and finally Howard said to him:

"Ed, here is an extra fine French clock that I will give to you for half price."

"It's a pretty piece of work, all right, Howard," replied the Rube, as he began scratching his head, "and I wouldn't mind owning it, only, you see," he explained, "it wouldn't be any good to me, as I want a clock that I can understand when it strikes."

Campaign for Good Roads.

The National Good Roads association was organized by delegates from 38 states in national convention in Chicago, November 21, 1900, and an extensive campaign for good roads all over the union is in progress. The president of the association is W. H. Moore, St. Louis, and the secretary is Arthur E. Jackson, Damariscotta, Me., with vice presidents representing each state and territory.

The value of the world's railways is put at \$27,775,000,000.

HOME INDUSTRIES

ECONOMIC LESSONS TAUGHT BY EDITORS OF MANY PAPERS.

COMBATTING A COMMON EVIL

Practices of Sending Dollars from Communities Where Earned Helps Along the Centralization of Business.

Apparently the press is now fully aroused to the importance of combating the evils of patronizing other than home enterprises. Editorial and local columns of the papers, especially in the western states, are filled with common-sense articles setting before the people such facts as appeal to reason and patriotism. Some editors in their zeal to accomplish good, perhaps go too far in abuse of systems that take money from their neighborhoods, and by severe criticisms of patrons of out-of-town concerns "overshoot the mark" and fail to accomplish what is much desired.

None will gainsay that the wage-earner has the inherent right to spend his earnings wherever he desires. If he wishes to buy his clothes in some distant city, he has that privilege. Sometimes he may have cause to do so. His home merchants may not carry in stock what he wishes to secure. Others may charge him what he considers an exorbitant price. Quite often he may learn that he makes a mistake by buying goods without a careful examination of them. When this is the case—and it frequently is—the purchaser becomes a better patron of home institutions than ever before. But there are a few things that the average man and woman overlook. It is that the dollars that they send away means money taken out of local circulation, and the consequent impoverishing of the community to that extent. Say that there are 2,000 people in the community. Five dollars a year from each one sent afar amounts to \$10,000 a year, and in ten years \$100,000. Supposing that a fifth or sixth of this represented the profits that should be left in the community. It would be quite enough to establish a business enterprise that would support several families. But from some communities the average amounts sent away for goods is from a third to a half and often more than the total paid or needed supplied. Think of what a great loss that is! Think that this trade, given to the home town, would immediately increase its business from a third to a half! How many years would it take if the home trade principle was adhered to strictly before your town would be more than double in size? It would only require a very few years. And with the growth of the town everyone living within its limits and its trade radius would receive a benefit.

All the residents of a community have common interest in it. The laborer, the farmer, the merchant, the doctor and the lawyer prosper in common. Their interests are parallel. The community is cooperative. If the merchant employed men from some distant city to do his work, would patronize an out-of-town doctor and the town doctor send away for the help he needed, the laborer would suffer, and suppose that the laborers would send away for their eggs, their vegetables, fruit, butter, etc., would not the farmer be affected? Suppose that the merchant is compelled to do business without profit; can he pay as good wages to his help as they should be entitled to? So it goes down the line. The better the home town can be made, the better it is for all. Be a patron of home industry, and by being such you assist yourself and all in your neighborhood.

D. M. CARR.

MISUSE OF THE MAILS.

How the Law Reads Under Which the Postal Department Excludes Frauds.

Section 5480 revised statutes of the United States pertaining to illegal use of the mails reads as follows: "Any person, who having devised or intended to devise any scheme or artifice to defraud or to be affected by either opening or intending to open correspondence or communication with any other person whether resident within or without the United States, by reason of the post office establishment of the United States or by inciting such other persons to open communication with the person so devising or intending, and for executing such scheme or artifice, or attempting to do so, shall place any letter or package in any post office of the United States, or take or receive therefrom, such persons so misusing the mails shall be punishable by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500) and imprisonment of not more than eighteen (18) months, or by both such punishments."

Is Concentration Desirable?

He who thinks that a 10,000-acre farm under control of one man, who reaps all the profits of its operation, is better than 100 100-acre farms owned by 100 men, each of whom reaps the reward of his labor reasons erroneously. If the big farm is not for the best why then build up big stores in the large cities that do the business of 1,000 small stores in the smaller towns? Why kill off the business of the local town and help make wealthier the proprietors of the big concerns in the great cities? Does this question call for an answer?

HOW SCHEMERS WORK.

Cooperative Plans Used to Get Dollars from the People of the Country.

Financiering or promoting has become a particular science. This new science has taken the broad name of "system," and to "system" is attributed a Machiavellism that would make insignificant the chicanery of the noted Italian diplomat. At present the nation is treated to illustrations of the methods of the advocates of "system" through the magazine articles, and the disclosures made of the transactions of many big concerns which have been investigated by the courts.

When simmered down, it will be seen that it is by use of money contributed by the masses of people, and placed in the control of the few that the masters of finance are enabled to rob and build up at will, give and take, and let the people go to the bow-wows.

It is not the intention herein to deal particularly with the gigantic institutions, but to show how the principles employed by them are also brought into use by promoters of schemes of lesser degree. And here an anomaly presents itself, plainly showing how short-sighted the masses of people are. The small-caliber schemers who apply "system" use as their main props the cry of "trust" and "robbers." Well they know the cupidity of the masses, and by presenting what appears a plausible scheme of cooperation get from out the pockets of the people money with which to carry on business. This plan of working is generally a stock-selling scheme, a membership plan with promise of selling goods at wholesale prices, and the paying of large dividends. A number of such concerns have lately come into existence. Some of them have such mammoth things in view that if their plans could be successfully carried out, it would be the building up of greater monopolies than those that they hold up before the people as justification of their own existence.

Do not be deceived by the representations made by alleged cooperators. A close investigation will show that instead of a purely cooperative plan, it is a scheme simply with the object of getting from the people money with which to carry on business for the personal gain of a few. Don't invest money in any alleged cooperative store or concern located in the large cities, and of which you know nothing other than the representations made by their promoters. Remember that it is a poor scheme that does not carry with all appearances of soundness, for this is essential to the success of it.

WANDERING WEARY WILLIES.

Towns by Adopting Proper Ordinances Can Assist in Decreasing Vagrancy.

Like unto the poor, the tramps and the "hoboes," it seems, we have "with us always." With the coming of winter they drift from the north to the south. The torrid heat of summer finds them wending their way to the northern climate. While for the last decade of years prosperity has been universal throughout the United States, and employment for all willing to work, still the wandering, lonely, unfortunate, remain as an object lesson of ignorance and indolence. Still in America conditions are such and local laws have tended toward bettering the conditions of these "Weary Willies," and we find year after year their number is decreasing. They are the unfortunates of humanity. Men with morbid mentalities, with criminal instincts developed that make them a menace to the public. There is the harmless tramp, a proper place for him should be in the home for feeble-minded; there is the indolent tramp, with all mental faculties developed whose place should be in the work-house, and there is also the wandering vampire, who is the criminal at heart and whose proper place should be in the penitentiary. If towns should have ordinances regulating the employment of those within its confines, and if such ordinances are properly framed so as to impose a penalty upon the vagrant who mayhaps visit the place, it will soon be found that such towns will be avoided and the troublesome visitors to the community will seek fields elsewhere.

Unsound Cooperative Concerns.

"Self-preservation is one of the first laws of nature," wrote some thinker long ago, and time has failed to prove it untrue. Yet how many commit involuntary suicide by unwisely following the instructions of some quack doctor in their efforts to cure themselves of some ailment? And how many more bring to themselves financial ruin by wild speculation in schemes that they know little about, prompted by glittering promises of great returns for little money. Lately numerous alleged cooperative mercantile establishments have sprung up in large cities and are seeking the support of farmers throughout the country. Don't take the advice of the "quack doctor" and commit financial suicide by investing in them and giving them your patronage instead of the business place of your own town.

Progressive Farmers.

The average American farmer is a progressive mortal. He is always ready to learn new things. He lately realizes more than ever the necessity of education in his business. He no longer ignores the fact that science is a wonderful factor in his work, a money saver that must be considered if he succeeds. The more intelligent is the farmer, the more interest will he take in the furthering the interests of his home town, and building up and improving the community in general.

The HAIRY AINU



AINUS IN JAPANESE CLOTHING

On the island of Yezo in northern Japan, and on certain of the Kurile islands which extend northwards towards Kamchatka, there dwells today a race of people distinct in type. They are the Hairy Ainu, and although numbers of their settlements have from time to time been visited by travelers, most of the inhabitants have been living in a semi-civilized state. Very few have seen the true Ainu, as they are still to be seen, living in barbaric style on the wildest parts of Yezo island. Among various writers who have contributed to the literature on the subject of the Ainus, no one has given a more graphic description of these natives than Mr. A. H. Savage Landor. He had previously completed a long and arduous journey, which embraced a tour of the whole coast of Yezo and part of the Kurile islands, during which he spent many months studying the habits and customs of these quaint people. Although the present writer has also visited parts of Yezo, and traveled along the whole length of the Kurile islands, he does not attempt, in such an article as this, to do more than touch briefly upon one or two customs of the Ainu. As their name suggests, they are a race of exceedingly hairy people. The men grow great beards, of which they are excessively proud, and their bodies are thickly covered with hair, almost like members of the monkey tribe. The women grow no hair on their faces, but seem to find a solace for this imaginary defect in tattooing moustaches on their lips, and often primitive designs on their hands and arms and also across their foreheads. Young unmarried women have very little tattooing on them; but, once a woman is married, her husband seems to take a pride in decorating his bride with representations of hirsute adornment. The modus operandi is one which requires considerable fortitude on the part of the patient, since the crudest form of tattooing is adopted. This consists of making a number of incisions in the skin with the point of a knife. Cuttle-fish black or smoke black is then rubbed into the wounds, and the operation sets up great inflammation of the lips, and is very painful.

A characteristic of the Ainu race is the color of their skin, which is of a deep bronze or copper color, and in nowise resembles any other of the oriental races, but is more like that of the American red Indians. The Ainu have no records, written or otherwise, of their former history, nor of how and whence they came to inhabit the island of Yezo. These matters seem unknown to them, and even to anthropologists. Legends, however, exist among certain of the Ainu to the effect that many years ago Yezo was inhabited by a race of diminutive people who were conquered, and apparently exterminated, by the Ainu. These people were called by the Ainu Koro-pok-kurn, or pit-dwellers, owing to their habit of living in huts constructed over a form of rectangular, circular, or oval-shaped pit, many traces of which are still found in Yezo and the Kurile islands. A few years ago the present writer also discovered on the Behring sea coast of Alaska some very perfect remains of a pit-dwellers' village, which is quite unlike any settlements made to-day by the Eskimo or Aleut natives of Alaska. The Ainus claim that at some remote period they were themselves the inhabitants of some far northern country, and as evidence of this they cite their hairy bodies. They say, "Why, if we did not come from a cold country, should we need to have skins like a bear?" It is possible that they did migrate southwards from the shores of the Behring sea, either by way of the Aleutian islands, or along the coasts of Kamchatka and the Kuriles.

One good trait in the Ainu character is their great bravery, and this is a quality held in high esteem among them. On the island of Yezo, and some of the Kuriles, bears are very numerous. The Ainu men, who are merely armed with such primitive weapons as bows, arrows and knives, hunt and kill a great number of bears. One species of these bears (*Ursus ferus*) is notoriously savage. One of the most curious and unnatural customs of the Ainu has puzzled me as to its origin. At certain seasons of the year the men organize parties for hunting bears; old bears are killed, their skins and skulls being brought home. The skulls

are often erected on sticks, where they remain as trophies outside the hunter's dwelling. All young bear cubs which are captured are brought home to the settlements, where the women of the tribe adopt them, and actually suckle these beasts as they would their own children. The object is that in due course of time these young cubs shall be killed and eaten at what is known as a "Bear Festival." Often when the cubs grow too big to be nursed any longer, they are confined in a kind of wooden cage until



Ainu Women.

the time arrives for these festivals. The unfortunate bear cub is tied to a post in the center of a group of Ainus. A headman of the village teases the cub with some shreds of willow bark fastened to the end of a pole, while two other men stand with their bows drawn ready to shoot the victim as it stands on its hind legs. Although the writer has visited native settlements of all the different races which dwell on the northern shores of Asia and America, from the Arctic ocean downwards, he has never encountered a similar custom among any other tribes.

The Ainu, like the Eskimo of America and the Tchukchis of northeast Siberia, have no religion. They have no knowledge of a Supreme Being and no belief in a future state. Mr. Landor, who questioned many natives on various subjects, was once scornfully told by one of them that "the Ainu are taught nothing and they know nothing." This exactly describes the state in which they live. Certain of the Ainu intermarry with the Japanese, and hence one sees a number of half-breeds. Also where their villages are in proximity to Japanese settlements, the natives to a great extent adopt Japanese attire, whereas among the true Ainu, in warm weather, all forms of clothes are conspicuous by their absence.

Any person who seeks experience among a strange people will be amply repaid by a visit to the Ainu of Yezo. But let not the wanderer pay too long a visit to the interior of an Ainu house, unless he be immune from the effects of evil smells, for scarcely, even amidst the most savage northern races, have I ever known anything to equal the uncleanness of Ainu dwellings, nor encountered any creatures of the human race more dirty and odiferous than the Hairy Ainu themselves.

C. E. RADCLIFFE.

Captain of Lost Children.

The Madison street police station, which is a sort of clearing house for lost children, has recently acquired a young man who is about as useful as could be desired. He is Louis Davidson, nine years old, who lives at 253 Madison street, next door to the police station—that is, when he isn't in the station house. Louis is known as the "Captain of Lost Children." When a stray child is brought into the station house Louis converses with him in either English or Yiddish, and if there is anything to be ascertained from that child Louis will ascertain it. Sometimes the "captain" goes out and hunts up the parents of the lost boy or girl. The Madison street police find him a most effective aid in their work.—N. Y. Sun.

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WILL APPEAL AGAIN

GOLDFIELD MINE OWNERS TO URGE ROOSEVELT TO PERMIT TROOPS TO REMAIN.

COMPANY OF RANGERS

If Such a One Is Formed the Legislature Must Be Convened Again.

Goldfield, Nev., Dec. 23.—Despite the positive statement which came from Washington today to the effect that the federal troops will be moved from Goldfield on Dec. 30 the mine owners have not given up and will appeal again to the president. They will present they say tonight some matters which have not yet been laid before him, one of these being what the record as positive evidence that at least one deportation was effected by the Western Federation of Miners in which a riotous mob was used.

While the mine owners today were preparing to send further evidence to the president Sheriff Ingalls and Capt. Cox, the federal representatives, at Coy Springs in Goldfield were conferring on plans for the preservation of law and order after the troops depart. Sheriff Ingalls said tonight that he is seeking at least fifty men to constitute a force of deputies who will patrol the camp and the road with arms.

The rumor has been current here that a company of rangers is being organized, but as that can not be without the sanction of the legislature the statement of Capt. Cox is taken to mean that if such a plan is decided upon the legislature will be convened.

SNOW GOOD FOR WHEAT.

Pat Patterson Is Advised on Extent of Fall Around Amarillo.

Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 23.—E. A. (Pat) Patterson of this city received a letter today from a friend at Amarillo stating that Saturday's snow storm resulted in covering the ground to a depth of from twelve to fourteen inches not including the drifts.

The letter stated benefits to wheat grow of incalculable benefit to wheat growers and that all are jubilant over the outlook. One of the largest home-owners excursions of the season reached Amarillo Sunday. But on account of the snow but little could be accomplished in showing the visitor around in the farming section.

STRUCK BY LOCOMOTIVE.

Denton Youth Is Knocked from Tracks on East Fourth Street.

Fort Worth, Tex., Dec. 23.—Clark, a youth from Denton, was struck by the locomotive of a train of the Fort Worth and Denver City railway as he was crossing the fourth street crossing at 1 o'clock tonight and was severely injured.

A strange row was crossing the street with Prince Raymond in company when the son of a woman who he was killed. Remains of a dead woman, Gordon was carried by the Medical College Hospital in the police ambulance where his injuries were pronounced non-serious. His back is badly bruised by a fall about fifteen feet to the ground below the trestle.

REMAINS NOT RECOVERED

Body of Sherman Boy Still in the Ruins at Fort Smith.

Fort Smith, Ark., Dec. 23.—The body of a boy named Sherman, who was killed in the explosion at Fort Smith, has not been recovered.

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CHRISTMAS IN A ROYAL HOUSEHOLD

How the German Imperial Family Pass the Day.

Berlin, Dec. 22.—Thirteen Christmas trees stand in the new palace at Potsdam for the members of the imperial family. There are two large trees in the center with five smaller one on the one side and six on the other, diminishing in size according to the age of those for whom they are intended. The two large trees are for the emperor and empress and the others for their six sons and daughters, the wives of Prince Frederick William and Prince Fritzel and the two children of the crown prince.

The emperor's Christmas program begins after lunch on Tuesday when he will walk through the Grand Park Sans Souci with several hundred marks in coin freshly minted in his pocket bestowing five or ten or twenty mark pieces upon poor persons whom he may meet.

It is next known what path the emperor may take but as it is an annual custom of his plenty of the poor are distributed throughout the park on the lookout for his majesty. On such occasions he continues his walk to the barracks of the First regiment of foot guards to attend the celebration of the so-called Line Company of which the emperor was captain as crown prince and after him the present crown prince but of which Prince Fritzel is now captain.

Every Christmas the emperor is present at the distribution of presents and to join in a traditional glass of punch.

Every family in the German empire has its own Christmas tree for which gifts are sent from the men's homes.

The imperial family gathers at 6 o'clock to give each other their presents. Then the officials of the imperial household come into the shell room where the trees stand to receive theirs. The members of the imperial family give but do not accept gifts from the members of the household. The emperor has been summoning dealers to Potsdam almost every afternoon since his return from England and has been selecting for Christmas gifts sport, hunting guns, gilded riding crops and other appropriate articles for the twenty or thirty ladies and gentlemen attached to his household. He also gives portraits with his own graph, richly framed porcelains and jewel boxes of which he is exceedingly fond.

The crown prince and Prince Fritzel have establishments of their own at Potsdam to which they repair after the family gathering to have similar distributions of presents to members of their own official households.

GREAT COST OF CANAL.

Million and a Half Dollars' Worth of Property Condemned.

London, Dec. 22.—Some of the terms of the cost of the canal can be judged by the fact that the board of directors condemned in the past, was ready to condemn for further use \$1,000,000 worth of property the site for which a contract was ordered. Turned over at the canal, property was not old French material but was bought by the Americans.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS.

The prairie regard for the peace and prosperity of Ada and Pontotoc county is extended by the News this Christmas. The News on the 24th and 25th will carry an anniversary of the birth of the Savior on earth. The duty of all men is to be good to all men.

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Silk Hink and Silk Mufelot from \$2.00 to 25c

Fancy Lisle Hose from 67c to 25c

The Gold and Silver Brand Shirts in very choice colors \$1.50 and \$1.25 Others from 50c up to \$1.00

The Hannan Shoes at cut prices \$4.50

The W. L. Douglas Shoes in all styles at \$3.50

Hats all styles all grades and all colors from \$6.00 to \$1.25

Bring your boys here for their clothes. Our assortment is yet high but the prices low



I. HARRIS

Father—You come home so late of ways now. Paul I haven't seen you all the week.

Son—Well if you want to speak to me, father, come to the club on Wednesday, you will find me there then.—Polo Mole

Attention of the good people of Ada and surrounding country. The handsome doll which has been made especially in the factory for us has arrived and on exhibition at our store. It will be given away Xmas eve night between 8 and 9 o'clock to some little girl selected to take a number from the box of which will draw the doll. Be sure and bring your numbers with you. Merry Xmas to all.

GRAND LEADER

I hear your youngest daughter has just got married. So you are quite alone now. It must have been very kind for you.

Don't think that I was beginning to quarrel with her. Good-bye. Her first husband can't do it. Bye.

I wish the best Christmas to you and your family. I hope you will all be happy and healthy. I hope you will all be happy and healthy. I hope you will all be happy and healthy.

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Mason's Good Hot Soda

We sell good in combination with our Hot Soda in a way to emphasize Good. Good is the goodness we want to talk about. Anybody who has hot soda but doesn't want to serve it quite so good as we do. You will believe in our Hot Soda.

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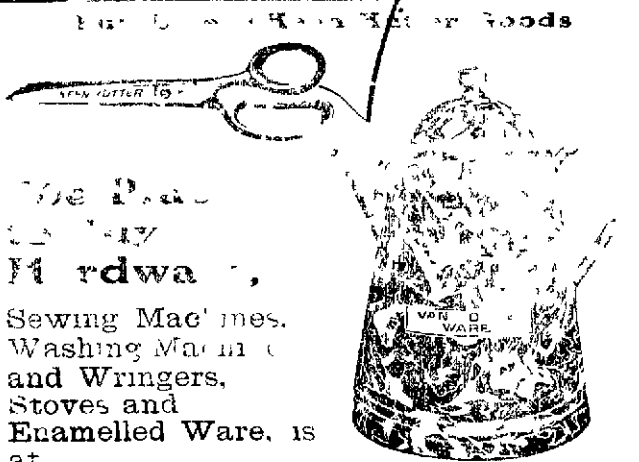
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We have a large stock of Children's Books, Pens and Pencils, and New Gifts.

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R. E. HAYNES, The Hardware Man.

ADA, OKLAHOMA

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B. W. FAY, Editor and Owner

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From Center

The Santa Claus epidemic is spreading and many in the city are not trying to get married, want a divorce and several of our good citizens are moving away to settle in parts of the country.

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Blair Davis has a very nice child. She is very low with typhoid fever. On 12 P. M. she was in a business suit and looking every thing is all right.

Mr. J. J. Copland has a little new car. It is a very nice one. It is a very nice one. It is a very nice one.

The Sunday school convention will convene the 28th and 29th with the center Sunday school. A good time is expected.

That W. J. Withers of A. was in the center Sunday school. A good time is expected.

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Pleasure of uniting the three above named couple. A dinner was given at the latter two couple at Mr. and Mrs. Krieger's home.

From Roth Luch.

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Love and the Weather.

If only love were raining.
If it were love that fell
In every golden shower
In every blooming dell
If only love were raining
How sweet would be to drown
In with the rushing torrent
If only love were raining down
If only love were blowing
If it were love that flows
O'er every mountain hillside
In every vale of snows
If only love were blowing
How good would be to sleep
Down down in dilted leamy
Beneath its deepest deep
If only love were winter
And only love were spring
If only love were summer
Were I the autumn's wing—
The night hawk's love
The snow pile high the street
If only love were weather
All storms would be so sweet
If only love were weather
If only love were weather

he did not hurt the same in the afore-
said a leg
It is too early to begin to talk about
the waste of Christmas. It will be bet-
ter to wait until it is all over.
The Argentine method is for two
combative statesmen to leave it to a
court of honor to say whether they
must shoot or not. Each other
must shoot or not. Each other
must shoot or not. Each other

one to sleep and then wakes him up
suddenly
Surely the man who grabs the mon-
ey of his employer and makes off with
same must feel cheap
After one lives and observes and
thinks and feels for half a century
it is hard to see just why the
world is so full of trouble

Everything Goes At Cost

I have bought the Bocher stock of
Queensware and notions and have put
it on the market at COST. In this stock
will be found many articles suitable for

Christmas Presents

and hundreds of other things that are
both useful and ornamental and the
prices they are now marked will be a
pleasing surprise to the buying public.

Call and See Them

and the advantage of the rare bar-
gains. I thought this stock to sell and it
will sell at the prices I am offering

Commencing December 14

M. L. WALSH Will Sell

Men's Hats, Caps,
Gloves, Clothing,
and Ladies' Coats

At Cost Until Jan. 1

Mean What I Say

M. L. WALSH

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Something
New and
Attractive

Grand Leader Department
Store...

Sledge Lumber Co

Carries a complete stock, deals
fairly with the public, buys lum-
ber at the lowest possible price
and are satisfied with a modest
profit. Competition is met in all
details and most positively lum-
ber can not be purchased at a
lower figure elsewhere

Your business is solicited.
Located one block North of Harris Hotel

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FIRST NATIONAL BANK

November
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December

Are the best months in 12
months for planting
Fruit Trees, Shade Trees,
Cane Vines, Blackberries,
Roses, Flowering Shrubs,
Rhubarb and Asparagus.
We can make you some very
close prices on the stock men-
tioned. Small orders will be given
the same attention as large
ones. Nursery and picking
grounds on west 17th street.

THE ADA NURSERIES

O. K. MEAT MARKET

The Old
O. K. MEAT MARKET
can be traced by Wright Bros.
the old meat market men
of Ada who will be pleased to
meet their old time customers.
For home meats, Pure
home rendered hog lard. Come
in and see us. Courteous treat-
ment. Freshness of meats.

WRIGHT BROS.

THE ADA NATIONAL BANK

At the Ada National Bank
the public can find
the best of service
and the best of prices
for all their banking
needs.

THE ADA NATIONAL BANK

Wall Paper
INGRAM PAINT CO. PAINT

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you can buy goods at rock bottom
prices, at

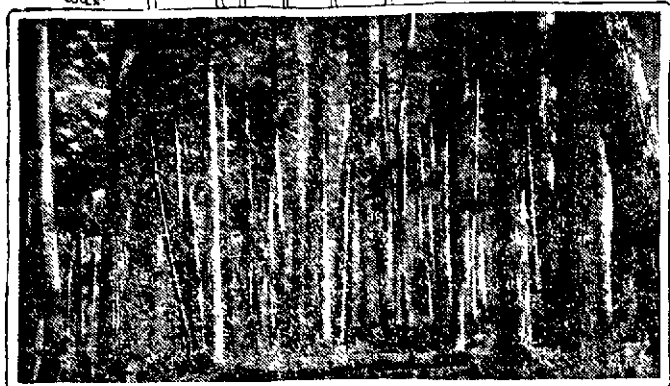
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for Xmas. Anything not in stock will be ordered for you at
once.

Ada Furniture and Coffin Co.

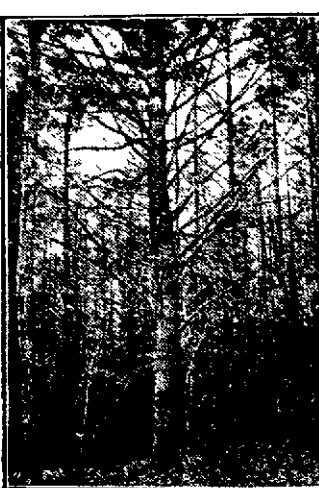
THE WHITE PINE BUTCHERY



WHITE PINE BEING AND ENDING EACH OTHER

The position which the United States has held as a lumber-producing nation has, perhaps, been due more to white pine than to any other wood. The timber of this valuable tree which has played a most important part in the material development of the nation is fast disappearing and now it is as costly as the finest American hardwoods.

Rev. Edward Everett Hale, the chaplain of the senate, who has always taken an interest in forestry, deprecates the passing of white pine as our foremost wood, and tells how in his own lifetime he has seen the day when "the masts of every vessel that sailed the Seven Seas were made from New England grown pine, while to-day very little white pine is cut in New England big enough to furnish a good-sized spar." He tells also, to illustrate the increasing cost of the wood, that he ordered a set of book shelves

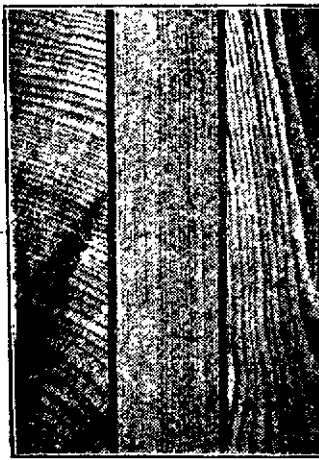


Imperfect Natural Pruning on a White Pine That Stood Too Much Alone in Early Youth.

on which the cabinetmaker made a price, and then asked whether they should be made of mahogany or white pine.

The white pine production has shifted from New England to the lake states, and Michigan was the leading lumber-producing state for 20 years, from 1870 to 1890, with a supremacy based on white pine. In these two decades the output was 160,000,000,000 of board feet, valued, at the point of production, at not less than \$2,000,000,000, or nearly half as much as the value derived from all the gold fields of California from their discovery in the late forties until the present.

The rich forests of Michigan were once thought inexhaustible and lumbering continued in a most reckless



Wood of the White Pine.

manner for years. Suddenly the people awoke to the fact that the thoughtless destruction of the trees had thrown 6,000,000 of acres on the delinquent tax list. These white barrens point to the terrible penalty of wasting the forest resources which should have been the heritage of all future generations.

An idea of the increasing scarcity of white pine timber is given by the New York F. O. B. quotations, on a basis of carload lots. "Uppers" of the best grade, cost \$97 to \$114 a thousand board feet and the "selects" or next lower grade cost \$79.50 to \$99.50. Men who are not yet middle-aged remember the time when these grades could be purchased at \$15 to \$25 a thousand

feet. The present quotations on quartered white oak, which are \$75 to \$80, offer another basis of comparison which indicates the condition of the market for white pine.

The best stands of this timber now in this country are in scattered sections in Minnesota, New England and parts of Idaho. The species in Idaho is sometimes called silver pine. Some of the country's best white pine is found on the Indian reservations in Minnesota and Wisconsin and scattered stands in the states of Wyoming, Montana, and one or two other states. At the present rate of cutting the tree will soon be practically a thing of the past. The small stands in the national forests are inconsiderable, but they will be managed with the greatest conservatism by the government through the forest service, and through this method and practice of reforestation it may be hoped that the fine old tree will furnish timber for other generations.

SANK IN QUICKSANDS TO NECK.

Hunter's Dog Brought Relief When His Master Had Given Up Hope.

John Cronin came preciously near being swallowed by a quicksand in the woods near North Arlington, N. J. Cronin was up to his neck—or down to his neck—in the quicksand when he was saved.

Cronin, who lives on Union avenue, Belleville, went rabbit hunting with Michael Flynn, chief of police of Belleville, the chief's young son, John, and Frank Curran. Cronin's dog chased a rabbit. Cronin ran after the dog and rabbit and so became separated from the rest of the party. Suddenly he walked into the quicksand and, like a shot, sank to his waist.

The more he struggled the deeper he went. The dog, seeing him in difficulty, let the rabbit go and ran around the quicksand's edge, barking and whining. Cronin discharged his shotgun, but his companions thought he was firing at a rabbit. He yelled, but they did not hear him.

This wise dog set off after the others of the party and told them as plainly as he could that Cronin was in trouble. It ran toward them and then away a dozen times, and barked and showed such manifest signs of distress that they followed it.

Cronin was only half-conscious by this time. His friends could not go closer to him than six or seven feet, or they would have been engulfed, too. They finally uprooted several birch saplings and pried him out.

HE OBJECTED TO FRENCH.

Wanted a Clock That He Could Understand When It Struck.

Howard Wilson, who pitched a couple of seasons for Washington a few years back, is now in the watch and clock business, and whenever any of the ball players want anything in this line they patronize the genial Howard.

Some days ago the versatile Mr. Waddell determined to buy a clock, so that when he retired to his home for the winter he would have a reliable timepiece that would arouse him from his slumbers each morning so that he could be in time for breakfast, which is a meal that Rube thinks a whole lot of.

So going up to the store kept by Wilson in company with Harry Davis and Stocks Seybold, George Edward began looking over the various timepieces that were put out by the accommodating Howard for his inspection.

Rube was hard to suit, and finally Howard said to him: "Ed, here is an extra fine French clock that I will give to you for half price."

"It's a pretty piece of work, all right, Howard," replied the Rube, and he began scratching his head, "and I wouldn't mind owning it, only, you see," he explained, "it wouldn't be any good to me, as I want a clock that I can understand when it strikes."

Campaign for Good Roads.

The National Good Roads association was organized by delegates from 38 states in a national convention in Chicago, November 21, 1900, and an extensive campaign for good roads all over the union is in progress. The president of the association is W. H. Moore, St. Louis, and the secretary is Arthur E. Jackson, Damariscotta, Me., with vice presidents representing each state and territory.

The value of the world's railways is put at \$27,775,000,000.

HOME INDUSTRIES

ECONOMIC LESSONS TAUGHT BY EDITORS OF MANY PAPERS.

COMBATting A COMMON EVIL

Practices of Sending Dollars from Communities Where Earned Helps Along the Centralization of Business.

Apparently the press is now fully aroused to the importance of combatting the evils of patronizing other than home enterprises. Editorial and local columns of the papers, especially in the western states, are filled with common-sense articles setting before the people such facts as appeal to reason and patriotism. Some editors in their zeal to accomplish good, perhaps go too far in abuse of systems that take money from their neighborhoods, and by severe criticisms of patrons of out-of-town concerns "overshoot the mark," and fail to accomplish what is much desired.

None will gainsay that the wage-earner has the inherent right to spend his earnings wherever he desires. If he wishes to buy his clothes in some distant city, he has that privilege. Sometimes he may have cause to do so. His home merchants may not carry in stock what he wishes to secure. Others may charge him what he considers an exorbitant price. Quite often he may learn that he makes a mistake by buying goods without a careful examination of them. When this is the case—and it frequently is—the purchaser becomes a better patron of home institutions than ever before. But there are a few things that the average man and woman overlook. It is that the dollars that they send away means money taken out of local circulation, and the consequent impoverishing of the community to that extent. Say that there are 2,000 people in the community. Five dollars a year from each one sent afar amounts to \$10,000 a year, and in ten years \$100,000. Supposing that a fifth or sixth of this represented the profits that should be left in the community. It would be quite enough to establish a business enterprise that would support several families. But from some communities the average amounts sent away for goods is from a third to a half and often more than the total paid or needed supplied. Think of what a great loss that is! Think that this trade, given to the home town, would immediately increase its business from a third to a half! How many years would it take if the home trade principle was adhered to strictly before your town would be more than double in size? It would only require a very few years. And with the growth of the town everyone living within its limits and its trade radius would receive a benefit.

All the residents of a community have common interest in it. The laborer, the farmer, the merchant, the doctor and the lawyer prosper in common. Their interests are parallel. The community is cooperative. If the merchant employed men from some distant city to do his work, would patronize an out-of-town doctor and the town doctor send away for the help he needed, the laborer would suffer, and suppose that the laborers would send away for their eggs, their vegetables, fruit, butter, etc., would not the farmer be affected? Suppose that the merchant is compelled to do business without profit, can he pay as good wages to his help as they should be entitled to? So it goes down the line. The better the home town can be made, the better it is for all. Be a patron of home industry, and by being such you assist yourself and all in your neighborhood.

D. M. CARL

MISUSE OF THE MAIL.

How the Law Reads Under Which the Postal Department Excludes Frauds.

Section 5480 revised statutes of the United States defines to illegal use of the mails reads as follows: "Any person, who having devised or intended to devise any scheme or artifice to defraud or to be affected by either opening or intending to open correspondence or communication with any other person whether resident within or without the United States, by reason of the post office establishment of the United States or by inciting such other persons to open communication with the person so devising or intending, and for executing such scheme or artifice, or attempting to do so, shall place any letter or package in any post office of the United States, or take or receive therefrom, such persons so misusing the mails shall be punishable by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500) and imprisonment of not more than eighteen (18) months, or by both such punishments."

Is Concentration Desirable?

He who thinks that a 10,000-acre farm under control of one man, who reaps all the profits of its operation, is better than 100 100-acre farms owned by 100 men, each of whom reaps the reward of his labor reasons erroneously. If the big farm is not for the best why then build up big stores in the large cities that do the business of 1,000 small stores in the smaller towns? Why kill off the business of the local town and help make wealthier the proprietors of the big concerns in the great cities? Does this question call for an answer?

HOW SCHEMERS WORK.

Cooperative Plans Used to Get Dollars from the People of the Country.

Financiering or promoting has become a particular science. This new science has taken the broad name of "system," and to "system" is attributed a Machiavellianism that would make insignificant the chicanery of the noted Italian diplomat. At present the nation is treated to illustrations of the methods of the advocates of "system" through the magazine articles, and the disclosures made of the transactions of many big concerns which have been investigated by the courts.

When simmered down, it will be seen that it is by use of money contributed by the masses of people, and placed in the control of the few that the masters of finance are enabled to rob and build up at will, give and take, and let the people go to the how-ows.

It is not the intention herein to deal particularly with the gigantic institutions, but to show how the principles employed by them are also brought into use by promoters of schemes of lesser degree. And here an anomaly presents itself, plainly showing how short-sighted the masses of people are, the small-caliber schemers who apply "system" use as their main props the cry of "trust" and "robbers." Well they know the cupidity of the masses, and by presenting what appears a plausible scheme of cooperation get from out the pockets of the people money with which to carry on business. This plan of working is generally a stock-selling scheme, a membership plan with promise of selling goods at wholesale prices, and the paying of large dividends. A number of such concerns have lately come into existence. Some of them have such mammoth things in view that if their plans could be successfully carried out, it would be the building up of greater monopolies than those that they hold up before the people as justification of their own existence.

Do not be deceived by the representations made by alleged cooperators. A close investigation will show that instead of a purely cooperative plan, it is a scheme simply with the object of getting from the people money with which to carry on business for the personal gain of a few. Don't invest money in any alleged cooperative store or concern located in the large cities, and of which you know nothing other than the representations made by their promoters. Remember that it is a poor scheme that does not carry with all appearances of soundness, for this is essential to the success of it.

WANDERING WEARY WILLIES.

Towns by Adopting Proper Ordinances Can Assist in Decreasing Vagrancy.

Like unto the poor, the tramps and the "hoboes," it seems, we have "with us always." With the coming of winter they drift from the north to the south. The torrid heat of summer finds them wending their way to the northern climate. While for the last decade of years prosperity has been universal throughout the United States, and employment for all willing to work, still the wandering, lonely, unfortunate, remain as an object lesson of ignorance and indolence. Still in America conditions are such and local laws have tended toward bettering the conditions of these "Weary Willies," and we find year after year their number is decreasing. They are the unfortunates of humanity. Men with morbid mentalities, with criminal instincts developed that make them a menace to the public. There is the harmless tramp, a proper place for him should be in the home for feeble-minded; there is the indolent tramp, with all mental faculties developed whose place should be in the work-house, and there is also the wandering vampire, who is the criminal at heart and whose proper place should be in the penitentiary. If towns should have ordinances regulating the employment of those within its confines, and if such ordinances are properly framed so as to impose a penalty upon the vagrant who mayhap visit the place, it will soon be found that such towns will be avoided and the troublesome visitors to the community will seek fields elsewhere.

Unsound Cooperative Concerns.

"Self-preservation is one of the first laws of nature," wrote some thinker long ago, and time has failed to prove it untrue. Yet how many commit involuntary suicide by unwisely following the instructions of some quack doctor in their efforts to cure themselves of some ailment? And how many more bring to themselves financial ruin by wild speculation in schemes that they know little about, prompted by glittering promises of great returns for little money. Lately numerous alleged cooperative mercantile establishments have sprung up in large cities and are seeking the support of farmers throughout the country. Don't take the advice of the "quack doctor" and commit financial suicide by investing in them and giving them your patronage instead of the business place of your own town.

Progressive Farmers.

The average American farmer is a progressive mortal. He is always ready to learn new things. He lately realizes more than ever the necessity of education in his business. He no longer ignores the fact that science is a wonderful factor in his work, a money saver that must be considered if he succeeds. The more intelligent is the farmer, the more interest will he take in the furthering the interests of his home town, and building up and improving the community in general.

The HAIRY AINU



AINUS IN JAPANESE CLOTHING

On the island of Yezo in northern Japan, and on certain of the Kurile islands which extend northwards towards Kamchatka, there dwells today a race of people distinct in type. They are the Hairy Ainu, and although numbers of their settlements have from time to time been visited by travelers, most of the inhabitants have been living in a semi-civilized state. Very few have seen the true Ainu, as they are still to be seen, living in barbaric style on the wildest parts of Yezo island. Among various writers who have contributed to the literature on the subject of the Ainu, no one has given a more graphic description of these natives than Mr. A. H. Savage Landor. He had previously completed a long and arduous journey, which embraced a tour of the whole coast of Yezo and part of the Kurile islands, during which he spent many months studying the habits and customs of these quaint people. Although the present writer has also visited parts of Yezo, and traveled along the whole length of the Kurile islands, he does not attempt, in such an article as this, to do more than touch briefly upon one or two customs of the Ainu. As their name suggests, they are a race of exceedingly hairy people. The men grow great beards, of which they are excessively proud, and their bodies are thickly covered with hair, almost like members of the monkey tribe. The women grow no hair on their faces, but seem to find a solace for this imaginary defect in tattooing moustaches on their lips, and often primitive designs on their hands and arms and also across their foreheads. Young unmarried women have very little tattooing on them, but, once a woman is married, her husband seems to take a pride in decorating his bride with representations of hirsute adornment. The modus operandi is one which requires considerable fortitude on the part of the patient, since the crudest form of tattooing is adopted. This consists of making a number of incisions in the skin with the point of a knife. Cuttle-fish black or smoke black is then rubbed into the wounds, and the operation sets up great inflammation of the lips, and is very painful.

A characteristic of the Ainu race is the color of their skin, which is of a deep bronze or copper color, and in no wise resembles any other of the oriental races, but is more like that of the American red Indians. The Ainu have no records, written or otherwise, of their former history, nor of how and whence they came to inhabit the island of Yezo. These matters seem unknown to them, and even to anthropologists. Legends, however, exist among certain of the Ainu to the effect that many years ago Yezo was inhabited by a race of diminutive people who were conquered, and apparently exterminated, by the Ainu. These people were called by the Ainu Koro-pok-kuro, or pit-dwellers, owing to their habit of living in huts constructed over a form of rectangular, circular, or oval-shaped pit, many traces of which are still found in Yezo and the Kurile islands. A few years ago the present writer also discovered on the Behring sea coast of Alaska some very perfect remains of a pit-dwellers' village, which is quite unlike any settlements made to-day by the Eskimo or Aleut natives of Alaska. The Ainu claim that at some remote period they were themselves the inhabitants of some far northern country, and as evidence of this they cite their hairy bodies. They say, "Why, if we did not come from a cold country, should we need to have skins like a bear?" It is possible that they did migrate southwards from the shores of the Behring sea, either by way of the Aleutian islands, or along the coasts of Kamchatka and the Kuriles.

One good trait in the Ainu character is their great bravery, and this is a quality held in high esteem among them. On the island of Yezo, and some of the Kuriles, bears are very numerous. The Ainu men, who are merely armed with such primitive weapons as bows, arrows and knives, hunt and kill a great number of bears. One species of these bears (*Ursus ferax*) is notoriously savage. One of the most curious and unnatural customs of the Ainu has puzzled me as to its origin. At certain seasons of the year the men organize parties for hunting bears; old bears are killed, their skins and skulls being brought home. The skulls

are often erected on sticks, where they remain as trophies outside the hunter's dwelling. All young bear cubs which are captured are brought home to the settlements, where the women of the tribe adopt them, and actually suckle these beasts as they would their own children. The object is that in due course of time these young cubs shall be killed and eaten at what is known as a "Bear Festival." Often when the cubs grow too big to be nursed any longer, they are confined in a kind of wooden cage until



Ainu Women.

the time arrives for these festivals. The unfortunate bear cub is tied to a post in the center of a group of Ainu. A headman of the village teases the cub with some shreds of willow bark fastened to the end of a pole, while two other men stand with their bows drawn ready to shoot the victim as it stands on its hind legs. Although the writer has visited native settlements of all the different races which dwell on the northern shores of Asia and America, from the Arctic ocean downwards, he has never encountered a similar custom among any other tribes.

The Ainu, like the Eskimo of America and the Tchukchis of northeast Siberia, have no religion. They have no knowledge of a Supreme Being and no belief in a future state. Mr. Landor, who questioned many natives on various subjects, was once scornfully told by one of them that "the Ainu are taught nothing and they know nothing." This exactly describes the state in which they live. Certain of the Ainu informants with the Japanese, and hence one sees a number of half-breeds. Also where their villages are in proximity to Japanese settlements, the natives to a great extent adopt Japanese attire, whereas among the true Ainu, in warm weather, all forms of clothes are conspicuous by their absence.

Any person who seeks experience among a strange people will be amply repaid by a visit to the Ainu of Yezo. But let not the wanderer pay too long a visit to the interior of an Ainu house, unless he be immune from the effects of evil smells, for scarcely, even amidst the most savage northern races, have I ever known anything to equal the uncleanness of Ainu dwellings, nor encountered any creatures of the human race more dirty and odoriferous than the Hairy Ainu themselves.

C. E. RADCLIFFE.

Captain of Lost Children.

The Madison street police station, which is a sort of clearing house for lost children, has recently acquired a young man who is about as useful as could be desired. He is Louis Davidson, nine years old, who lives at 253 Madison street, next door to the police station—that is, when he isn't in the station house. Louis is known as the "Captain of Lost Children." When a stray child is brought into the station house Louis converses with him in either English or Yiddish, and if there is anything to be ascertained from that child Louis will ascertain it. Sometimes the "captain" goes out and hunts up the parents of the lost boy or girl. The Madison street police find him a most effective aid in their work.—N. Y. Sun.

John Burns' Library.

John Burns is said to have the best working library of any member of the English house of parliament.

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WILL APPEAL AGAIN

GOLDFIELD MINE OWNERS TO URGE ROOSEVELT TO PERMIT TROOPS TO REMAIN.

COMPANY OF RANGERS

If Such a One Is Formed the Legislature Must Be Convened Again.

Goldfield Nev. Dec 23.—Despite the positive statement which came from Washington today to the effect that the Federal troops will be moved from Goldfield on Dec. 30 the mine owners have not even up and will appeal again to the president. They will present this day tonight some matters which have not yet been told before him, one of these being what they regard as positive evidence that at least one deportation was attempted by the Western Federation of Miners in which attempt four rifles were used. While the mine owners today were preparing to send further evidence to the president Sheriff Ingalls and Capt. Cox, the personal representatives of the Gov. Spinks in Goldfield were conferring on plans for the preservation of law and order after the troops depart. Sheriff Ingalls said tonight that he is seeking at least fifty men to maintain a force of deputies who will patrol the camp and the town and will keep.

The rumor has been current that a company of rangers is being raised but as that can not be with out the sanction of the legislature the statement of Capt. Cox is taken to mean that if such a unit is decided upon the legislature will be convened.

SNOW GOOD FOR WHEAT.

Pat Paffrath Is Advised of Extent of Fall Around Amarillo.

Fort Worth Tex. Dec 23.—E. A. (Pat) Paffrath of this city received a letter today from a friend at Amarillo stating that Saturday's snowstorm resulted in covering the ground to a depth of from twelve to fourteen inches not including the drifts.

The letter stated benefits to wheat from the snow, and that all are jubilant over the outlook. One of the largest home-owners excursions of the season reached Amarillo Sunday but on account of the snow but little could be accomplished in showing the visitor around in the morning section.

STRUCK BY LOCOMOTIVE.

Denton Youth Is Knocked from Tracks on East Fourth Street.

Fort Worth Tex. Dec 23.—Clark Gordon, a youth from Denton, was struck by the locomotive of a train of the Fort Worth and Denver city today. He was crossing the fourth street trestle at three o'clock tonight and severely injured.

Young Gordon was crossing the trestle with Prince Redmond, a companion from the same town when he was struck. Redmond, seized without delay, was conveyed to the Medical College Hospital in the police ambulance where his injuries were pronounced non-serious. His back is badly bruised by a fall about fifteen feet to the ground below the trestle.

REMAINS NOT RECOVERED.

Body of Sherman Pan Still in the Ruins at Fort Smith.

Fort Smith, Ark. Dec 23.—The body of Sherman Pan, who was killed in the explosion of the powder magazine at Fort Smith, Ark., on Dec. 10, 1906, was not recovered today.

The body was found in the ruins of the magazine, which was destroyed by the explosion. The body was found in the ruins of the magazine, which was destroyed by the explosion.

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CHRISTMAS IN A ROYAL HOUSEHOLD

How the German Imperial Family Pass the Day.

Berlin Dec 22.—Thirteen Christmas trees stand in the new palace at Potsdam for the members of the imperial family. There are two large trees in the center with five smaller ones on the one side and six on the other, diminishing in size according to the age of those for whom they are intended. The two large trees are for the emperor and empress and the others for their six sons and daughters, the wives of Prince Frederick William and Prince Eitel and the two children of the crown prince.

The emperor's Christmas program begins after lunch on Tuesday when he will walk through the Grand Park Sans Souci with several hundred marks in coin freshly minted in his pocket bestowing five or ten or twenty mark pieces upon poor persons whom he may meet.

It is never known what paths the emperor may take but as it is an annual custom of his plenty of the poor are distributed throughout the park on the lookout for his majesty. On such occasions he continues his walk to the barracks of the First regiment of foot guards to attend the celebration of the so-called Little Company of which the emperor was captain in crown prince and after him the present crown prince but of which Prince Eitel is now captain.

Every Christmas the emperor is present at the distribution of presents and to join in a fraternal glass of punch.

Every company in the German army has its own Christmas tree for which gifts are sent from the men's homes.

The imperial family gathers at a o'clock to give each other their presents. Then the officials of the imperial household come into the shell room where the trees stand to receive theirs. The members of the imperial family give but do not accept gifts from the members of the household. The emperor has been summoning dealers to Potsdam almost every afternoon since his return from England and has been selecting for Christmas gifts sporting guns, saddlery outfits, gold mounted or jeweled riding crops and other appropriate articles for the twenty or thirty ladies and gentlemen attached to his household. He also gives portraits with his autograph, richly framed porcelain and jewel boxes of which he is exceedingly fond.

The crown prince and Prince Eitel have establishments of their own at Potsdam to which they repair after the family gathering to have similar distributions of presents to members of their own official households.

GREAT COST OF CANAL.

Millon and a Half Dollars' Worth of Property Condemned.

London Dec 22.—Some of the items of the cost of the canal can be gathered by the fact that the house of a man who has been condemned in the last two months at a cost of further use \$100,000 worth of property has been condemned of which a \$50,000 United States of the condemned property was not old French material but was bought by the Americans.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS.

The purest regard for the peace and prosperity of Ada and Pontefract county is extended by the News this Christmas. The Newsman the printer and the printer's wife are all in the spirit of the season and will do all in their power to make the Christmas time a happy one for all.

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THE MOST DESIRABLE XMAS GIFT

A Gift that's wearable and lasting is the most appreciated

You can't give "Him" anything that will be thought more of than a SPERO-MICHAEL* Suit, Overcoat or Cravenet Raincoat for this. Clothing is the most made ready-to-wear clothing and the prices are moderate \$10.00, \$15.00, \$18.00, \$20.00

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Bring your boys here for their clothes. Our assortment is yet high out the prices low



I. HARRIS

Father—You come home so late of ways now. Find I haven't seen you all the week.

Son—Well if you want to speak to me, father, come to the club on Wednesday, you will always find me there then—Pete Mole

Attention of the good people of Ada and surrounding country. The handsome doll which has been made especially in the factory for us has arrived and on exhibition at our store. It will be given away Xmas eve night between 5 and 8 o'clock to some little girl be selected to take a number from the box of which will draw the doll. Be sure and bring your numbers with you. Merry Xmas to all.

GRAND LEADER

I hear your youngest daughter has just got married. So you are quite alone now. It must have been very hard for you.

Don't speak of it. I was beginning to expect when I had a good one. I present best and come along. Fine

I had the best Christmas present you ever gave me. A nice line of under shirt silk nightgown, a pair of gloves, silk vest, pajamas. We have a home full of new novelty goods at the lowest price. The Grand Leader Department Store.

The holiday season is almost over and we can make it to your advantage to buy your Xmas presents from us. We especially call your attention to the new shipment of ladies' gloves, tan and black. THE GRAND LEADER

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Wm B WEAVER, Editor and Owner

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Blair Boyce has a very sick child. She is very low with typhoid fever.

Our J. P. has not very much business, as a crowd of a very thin is all that.

Mr. J. J. Copeland has a clean new lot at his home. He is all smiles as it is there for him.

After Sunday school, and day's school, it has a big Christmas tree for all the young to enjoy after.

The Sunday school convention will convene the 25th and 26th with the center Sunday school. A good and profitable time is expected.

Prot. W. T. Wilbunk of Ada was to instruct the center singing class Christmas week but was obliged to leave that he cannot be with us on account of sickness.

Mrs. Emma Smith of Lewis has been called to center to reside with her son Henry who was married Sunday afternoon to Miss E. A. Allen at the home of Mr. P. C. Kierulff.

Mr. W. A. Graves and Selma E. Pratt was also married at the same time. I extend to them a very warm congratulations.

Mr. J. H. Jones has hit with a new business. He is taking in the

pleasure of uniting the three above named couple. A dinner was given to the latter two couple at Mr. and Mrs. Kolesky's home.

From Red Earth.

Prof. and Mrs. L. E. Pierce went to Tulsa Saturday. The Professor has opened his office with County Clerk Kettel is rented a residence and will move to the country seat about the 1st of next month.

Last Sunday the date of the fire the 14th was in unclouded sky. A flock of four or five birds in the air in a ship of this early time in the fall. The bird was discovered in the air but for the most of the fire Department would have been concerned. The flames were discovered in a closet in the kitchen and were on a match lit by the strong presence of water.

In the afternoon a fire alarm. Mrs. Brown on East Main caught fire from a defective flue and the department was again called out but the bucket brigade had the flames under control before their arrival.

Mrs. W. M. McCurdy is very low with pneumonia but slowly improving.

Love and the Weather.

It only love were raining
If it were love that fell
In every golden shower
In every bloomy dell
If only love were raining
Few sweet would be to drown
In with the rushing torrent
If love were raining down'

If only love were blowing
If it were love that flows
O' every bitter hillside
In every vale of snows
If only love were blowing
Few good would be to sleep
Down down in dilted beauty
Buried in its deepest deep

If only love were winter
And only love were spring
If only love were summer
Were I the autumn's wing—
The night might pour forever
The snow pile high the street
If love were only weather
All storms would be so sweet'

Edgar McKim in Baltimore Sun

he did not hurt the same in the afore-
said's teeth

It is too early to begin to talk about
the waste of Christmas. It will be bet-
ter to wait until it is all over.

The Argentine method is for two
combative statesmen to leave it to a
court of honor to say whether they
must shoot or cut each other.

Good night to that sort of talk.

one to sleep and then wakes him up suddenly.

Surely the man who grabs the money of his employer and makes off with same must feel cheap.

After one lives and observes and thinks and suffers for half a century he is glad to see just why there is no more silent.

I have bought the Bocher stock of Queensware and Notions and have put it on the market at COST. In this stock will be found many articles suitable for

and hundreds of other things that are both useful and ornamental and the prices they are now marked will be a pleasing surprise to the buying public.

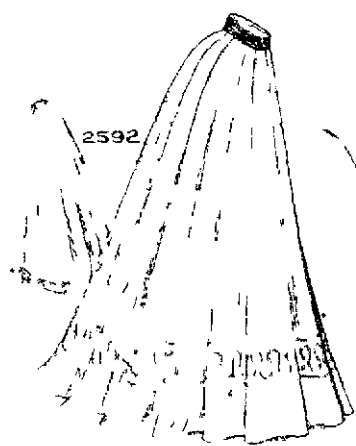
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We can make you some very
close prices on the stock men-
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the same attention as large
ones. Nursery and pickering
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Ex. W. Westhoff Dead
 F. W. W. Thill, trustee and one of the highly respected citizens of De Witt, has passed away. He was an Irish Catholic, several of his sons are in the army and one of them is in the navy. He was suddenly stricken on the 23d. He was sixty years of age. Mr. Westhoff was of German descent and had been a resident of this section for many years. He was a member of the De Witt Catholic church. He leaves a wife and several children.

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The position which the United States has held as a lumber-producing nation has, perhaps, been due more to white pine than to any other wood. The timber of this valuable tree which has played a most important part in the material development of the nation is fast disappearing and now it is as costly as the finest American hardwoods.

Rev. Edward Everett Hale, the chaplain of the senate, who has always taken an interest in forestry, deprecates the passing of white pine as our fore most wood, and tells how in his own lifetime he has seen the day when the masts of every vessel that sailed the Seven Seas were made from New England crown pine, while today very little white pine is cut in New England big enough to furnish a good-sized spar. He tells also, to illustrate the increasing cost of the wood, that he ordered a set of book shelves

feet. The present quotations on quartered white oak, which are \$75 to \$80, offer another basis of comparison which indicates the condition of the market for white pine.

The best stands of this timber now in this country are in scattered sections in Minnesota, New England and parts of Idaho. The species in Idaho is sometimes called silver pine. Some of the country's best white pine is found on the Indian reservations in Minnesota and Wisconsin and scattered stands in the states of Wyoming, Montana, and one or two other states. At the present rate of cutting the tree will soon be practically a thing of the past. The small stands in the national forests are inconsiderable, but they will be managed with the greatest conservatism by the government through the forest service, and through this method and practice of reforestation it may be hoped that the fine old tree will furnish timber for other generations.

SANK IN QUICKSANDS TO NECK.

Hunter's Dog Brought Relief When His Master Had Given Up Hope.

John Cronin came precariously near being swallowed by a quicksand in the woods near North Arlington, N. J. Cronin was up to his neck—or down to his neck—in the quicksand when he was saved.

Cronin, who lives on Union avenue, Belleville, went rabbit hunting with Michael Flynn, chief of police of Belleville, the chief's young son, John, and Frank Curran. Cronin's dog chased a rabbit. Cronin ran after the dog and rabbit and so became separated from the rest of the party. Suddenly he walked into the quicksand and, like a shot, sunk to his waist.

The more he struggled the deeper he went. The dog, seeing him in difficulty, let the rabbit go and ran around the quicksand's edge, barking and whining. Cronin discharged his shotgun, but his companions thought he was firing at a rabbit. He yelled, but they did not hear him.

His wise dog set off after the others of the party and told them as plainly as he could that Cronin was in trouble. It ran toward them and then away a dozen times, and barked and showed such manifest signs of distress that they followed it.

Cronin was only half-conscious by this time. His friends could not go closer to him than six or seven feet, or they would have been engulfed, too. They finally uprooted several birch saplings and pried him out.

HE OBJECTED TO FRENCH.

Wanted a Clock That He Could Understand When It Struck.

Howard Wilson, who pitched a couple of seasons for Washington a few years back, is now in the watch and clock business, and whenever any of the ball players want anything in this line they patronize the genial Howard.

Some days ago the versatile Mr. Waddell determined to buy a clock, so that when he retired to his home for the winter he would have a reliable timepiece that would arouse him from his slumbers each morning so that he could be in time for breakfast, which is a meal that Rube thinks a whole lot of.

So going up to the store kept by Wilson in company with Harry Davis and Stocks Seybold, George Edward began looking over the various timepieces that were put out by the accommodating Howard for his inspection.

Rube was hard to suit, and finally Howard said to him:

"Well, here is an extra fine French clock that I will give to you for half price."

"It's a pretty piece of work, all right, Howard," replied the Rube, as he began scratching his head, "and I wouldn't mind owning it, only, you see," he explained, "it wouldn't be any good to me, as I want a clock that I can understand when it strikes."

Campaign for Good Roads.

The National Good Roads association was organized by delegates from 38 states in a national convention in Chicago, November 21, 1900, and an extensive campaign for good roads all over the union is in progress. The president of the association is W. H. Moore, St. Louis, and the secretary is Arthur E. Jackson, Damariscotta, Me., with vice presidents representing each state and territory.

The value of the world's railways is put at \$27,775,000,000.

HOME INDUSTRIES

ECONOMIC LESSONS TAUGHT BY EDITORS OF MANY PAPERS.

COMBATting A COMMON EVIL

Practices of Sending Dollars from Communities Where Earned Helps Along the Centralization of Business.

Apparently the press is now fully aroused to the importance of combatting the evils of patronizing other than home enterprises. Editorial and local columns of the papers, especially in the western states, are filled with common-sense articles setting before the people such facts as appeal to reason and patriotism. Some editors in their zeal to accomplish good, perhaps go too far in abuse of systems that take money from their neighborhoods, and by severe criticisms of patrons of out-of-town concerns "overshoot the mark" and fail to accomplish what is much desired.

None will gainsay that the wage-earner has the inherent right to spend his earnings wherever he desires. If he wishes to buy his clothes in some distant city, he has that privilege. Sometimes he may have cause to do so. His home merchants may not carry in stock what he wishes to secure. Others may charge him what he considers an exorbitant price. Quite often he may learn that he makes a mistake by buying goods without a careful examination of them. When this is the case—and it frequently is—the purchaser becomes a better patron of home institutions than ever before. But there are a few things that the average man and woman overlook. It is that the dollars that they send away means money taken out of local circulation, and the consequent impoverishing of the community to that extent. Say that there are 2,000 people in the community. Five dollars a year from each one sent afar amounts to \$10,000 a year, and in ten years \$100,000. Supposing that a fifth or sixth of this represented the profits that should be left in the community. It would be quite enough to establish a business enterprise that would support several families. But from some communities the average amounts sent away for goods is from a third to a half and often more than the total paid or needed supplied. Think of what a great loss that is. Think that this trade, given to the home town, would immediately increase its business from a third to a half. How many years would it take if the home trade principle was adhered to strictly before your town would be more than double in size? It would only require a very few years. And with the growth of the town everyone living within its limits and its trade radius would receive a benefit.

All the residents of a community have common interest in it. The laborer, the farmer, the merchant, the doctor and the lawyer prosper in common. Their interests are parallel. The community is cooperative. If the merchant employed men from some distant city to do his work, would patronize an out-of-town doctor and the town doctor send away for the help he needed, the laborer would suffer, and suppose that the laborers would send away for their eggs, their vegetables, fruit, butter, etc., would not the farmer be affected? Suppose that the merchant is compelled to do business without profit, can he pay as good wages to his help as they should be entitled to? So it goes down the line. The better the home town can be made, the better it is for all. Be a patron of home industry, and by being such you assist yourself and all in your neighborhood.

MISUSE OF THE MAILS.

How the Law Reads Under Which the Postal Department Excludes Frauds.

Section 5480 revised statutes of the United States pertaining to illegal use of the mails reads as follows: "Any person, who having devised or intended to devise any scheme or artifice to defraud or to be affected by either opening or intending to open correspondence or communication with any other person whether resident within or without the United States, by reason of the post office establishment of the United States or by inciting such other persons to open communication with the person so devising or intending, and for executing such scheme or artifice, or attempting to do so, shall place any letter or package in any post office of the United States, or take or receive therefrom, such persons so misusing the mails shall be punishable by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500) and imprisonment of not more than eighteen (18) months, or by both such punishments."

Is Concentration Desirable?

He who thinks that a 10,000-acre farm under control of one man, who reaps all the profits of its operation, is better than 100 100-acre farms owned by 100 men, each of whom reaps the reward of his labor reasons erroneously. If the big farm is not for the best, why then build up big stores in the large cities that do the business of 1,000 small stores in the smaller towns? Why kill off the business of the local town and help make wealthier the proprietors of the big concerns in the great cities? Does this question call for an answer?

HOW SCHEMERS WORK.

Cooperative Plans Used to Get Dollars from the People of the Country.

Financiering or promoting has become a particular science. This new science has taken the broad name of "system," and to "system" is attributed a Machiavellianism that would make insignificant the chicanery of the noted Italian diplomat. At present the nation is treated to illustrations of the methods of the advocates of "system" through the magazine articles, and the disclosures made of the transactions of many big concerns which have been investigated by the courts.

When simmered down, it will be seen that it is by use of money contributed by the masses of people, and placed in the control of the few that the masters of finance are enabled to rob and build up at will, give and take, and let the people go to the bows.

It is not the intention herein to deal particularly with the gigantic institutions, but to show how the principles employed by them are also brought into use by promoters of schemes of lesser degree. And here an anomaly presents itself, plainly showing how short-sighted the masses of people are, the small-caliber schemers who apply "system" use as their main props the cry of "trust" and "robbers." Well they know the cupidity of the masses, and by presenting what appears a plausible scheme of cooperation get from out the pockets of the people money with which to carry on business. This plan of working is generally a stock-selling scheme, a membership plan with promise of selling goods at wholesale prices, and the paying of large dividends. A number of such concerns have lately come into existence. Some of them have such mammoth things in view that if their plans could be successfully carried out, it would be the building up of greater monopolies than those that they hold up before the people as justification of their own existence.

Do not be deceived by the representations made by alleged cooperators. A close investigation will show that instead of a purely cooperative plan, it is a scheme simply with the object of getting from the people money with which to carry on business for the personal gain of a few. Don't invest money in any alleged cooperative store or concern located in the large cities, and of which you know nothing other than the representations made by their promoters. Remember that it is a poor scheme that does not carry with all appearances of soundness, for this is essential to the success of it.

WANDERING WEARY WILLIES.

Towns by Adopting Proper Ordinances Can Assist in Decreasing Vagrancy.

Like unto the poor, the tramps and the "hoboes," it seems, we have "with us always." With the coming of winter they drift from the north to the south. The torrid heat of summer finds them wending their way to the northern climate. While for the last decade of years prosperity has been universal throughout the United States, and employment for all willing to work, still the wandering, lonely, unfortunate, remain as an object lesson of ignorance and indolence. Still in America conditions are such and local laws have tended toward bettering the conditions of these "Weary Willies," and we find year after year their number is decreasing. They are the unfortunates of humanity. Men with morbid mentalities, with criminal instincts developed that make them a menace to the public. There is the harmless tramp, a proper place for him should be in the home for feeble-minded; there is the indolent tramp, with all mental faculties developed whose place should be in the workhouse, and there is also the wandering vampire, who is the criminal at heart and whose proper place should be in the penitentiary. If towns should have ordinances regulating the employment of those within its confines, and if such ordinances are properly framed so as to impose a penalty upon the vagrant who mayhays visit the place, it will soon be found that such towns will be avoided and the troublesome visitors to the community will seek fields elsewhere.

Unsound Cooperative Concerns.

Self-preservation is one of the first laws of nature," wrote some thinker long ago, and time has failed to prove it untrue. Yet how many commit involuntary suicide by unwisely following the instructions of some quack doctor in their efforts to cure themselves of some ailment? And how many more bring to themselves financial ruin by wild speculation in schemes that they know little about, prompted by glittering promises of great returns for little money. Lately numerous alleged cooperative mercantile establishments have sprung up in large cities and are seeking the support of farmers throughout the country. Don't take the advice of the "quack doctor" and commit financial suicide by investing in them and giving them your patronage instead of the business place of your own town.

Progressive Farmers.

The average American farmer is a progressive mortal. He is always ready to learn new things. He lately realizes more than ever the necessity of education in his business. He no longer ignores the fact that science is a wonderful factor in his work, a money saver that must be considered if he succeeds. The more intelligent is the farmer, the more interest will he take in the furthering the interests of his home town, and building up and improving the community in general.

The HAIRY AINU



AINUS IN JAPANESE CLOTHING

On the island of Yezo in northern Japan, and on certain of the Kurile islands which extend northwards towards Kamchatka, there dwells today a race of people distinct in type. They are the Hairy Ainu, and although numbers of their settlements have from time to time been visited by travelers, most of the inhabitants have been living in a semi-civilized state. Very few have seen the true Ainus, as they are still to be seen, living in barbaric style on the wildest parts of Yezo island. Among various writers who have contributed to the literature on the subject of the Ainus, no one has given a more graphic description of these natives than Mr. A. H. Savage Landor. He had previously completed a long and arduous journey, which embraced a tour of the whole coast of Yezo and part of the Kurile islands, during which he spent many months studying the habits and customs of these quaint people. Although the present writer has also visited parts of Yezo, and traveled along the whole length of the Kurile islands, he does not attempt, in such an article as this, to do more than touch briefly upon one or two customs of the Ainus. As their name suggests, they are a race of exceedingly hairy people. The men grow great beards, of which they are excessively proud, and their bodies are thickly covered with hair, almost like members of the monkey tribe. The women grow no hair on their faces, but seem to find a solace for this imaginary defect in tattooing moustaches on their lips, and often primitive designs on their hands and arms and also across their foreheads. Young unmarried women have very little tattooing on them, but, once a woman is married, her husband seems to take a pride in decorating his bride with representations of hirsute adornment. The modus operandi is one which requires considerable fortitude on the part of the patient, since the crudest form of tattooing is adopted. This consists of making a number of incisions in the skin with the point of a knife. Cuttle-fish black or smoke black is then rubbed into the wounds, and the operation sets up great inflammation of the lips, and is very painful.

A characteristic of the Ainu race is the color of their skin, which is of a deep bronze or copper color, and in nowise resembles any other of the oriental races, but is more like that of the American red Indians. The Ainus have no records, written or otherwise, of their former history, nor of how and whence they came to inhabit the island of Yezo. These matters seem unknown to them, and even to anthropologists. Legends, however, exist among certain of the Ainus to the effect that many years ago Yezo was inhabited by a race of diminutive people who were conquered, and apparently exterminated, by the Ainus. These people were called by the Ainus Koro-pok-kum, or pit-dwellers, owing to their habit of living in huts constructed over a form of rectangular, circular, or oval-shaped pit, many traces of which are still found in Yezo and the Kurile islands. A few years ago the present writer also discovered on the Behring sea coast of Alaska some very perfect remains of a pit-dwellers' village, which is quite unlike any settlements made to-day by the Eskimo or Aleut natives of Alaska. The Ainus claim that at some remote period they were themselves the inhabitants of some far northern country, and as evidence of this they cite their hairy bodies. They say, "Why, if we did not come from a cold country, should we need to have skins like a bear?" It is possible that they did migrate southwards from the shores of the Behring sea, either by way of the Aleutian islands, or along the coasts of Kamchatka and the Kuriles.

One good trait in the Ainu character is their great bravery, and this is a quality held in high esteem among them. On the island of Yezo, and some of the Kuriles, bears are very numerous. The Ainus men, who are merely armed with such primitive weapons as bows, arrows and knives, hunt and kill a great number of bears. One species of these bears (*Ursus ferus*) is notoriously savage. One of the most curious and unnatural customs of the Ainus has puzzled me as to its origin. At certain seasons of the year the men organize parties for hunting bears; old bears are killed, their skins and skulls being brought home. The skulls

are often erected on sticks, where they remain as trophies outside the hunter's dwelling. All young bear cubs which are captured are brought home to the settlements, where the women of the tribe adopt them, and actually suckle these beasts as they would their own children. The object is that in due course of time these young cubs shall be killed and eaten at what is known as a "Bear Festival." Often when the cubs grow too big to be nursed any longer, they are confined in a kind of wooden cage until



the time arrives for these festivals. The unfortunate bear cub is tied to a post in the center of a group of Ainus. A headman of the village teases the cub with some shreds of willow bark fastened to the end of a pole, while two other men stand with their bows drawn ready to shoot the victim as it stands on its hind legs. Although the writer has visited native settlements of all the different races which dwell on the northern shores of Asia and America, from the Arctic ocean downwards, he has never encountered a similar custom among any other tribes.

The Ainus, like the Eskimo of America and the Tchukchis of northeast Siberia, have no religion. They have no knowledge of a Supreme Being and no belief in a future state. Mr. Landor, who questioned many natives on various subjects, was once scornfully told by one of them that "the Ainus are taught nothing and they know nothing." This exactly describes the state in which they live. Certain of the Ainus intermarry with the Japanese, and hence one sees a number of half-breeds. Also where their villages are in proximity to Japanese settlements, the natives to a great extent adopt Japanese attire, whereas among the true Ainus, in warm weather, all forms of clothes are conspicuous by their absence.

Any person who seeks experience among a strange people will be amply repaid by a visit to the Ainus of Yezo. But let not the wanderer pay too long a visit to the interior of an Ainu house, unless he be immune from the effects of evil smells, for scarcely, even amidst the most savage northern races, have I ever known anything to equal the uncleanness of Ainu dwellings, nor encountered any creatures of the human race more dirty and odoriferous than the Hairy Ainus themselves.

Captain of Lost Children.

The Madison street police station, which is a sort of clearing house for lost children, has recently acquired a young man who is about as useful as could be desired. He is Louis Davidson, nine years old, who lives at 253 Madison street, next door to the police station—that is, when he isn't in the station house. Louis is known as the "Captain of Lost Children." When a stray child is brought into the station house Louis converses with him in either English or Yiddish, and if there is anything to be ascertained from that child Louis will ascertain it. Sometimes the "captain" goes out and hunts up the parents of the lost boy or girl. The Madison street police find him a most effective aid in their work.—N. Y. Sun.

John Burns' Library.

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